BLUE WATER
Recreational Services

The Groves Pool and Splashpad Update 7/21/26

Since taking over management of the facilities on **July 1**, our team has been working through a number of items to improve the overall condition of both the pool and splashpad. Below is a summary of the work that has been completed, as well as the maintenance currently underway.

Staffing

One of our first priorities was ensuring the pool was properly staffed. Since taking over, we have successfully hired, trained, and scheduled a full team of Gate Attendants to provide coverage throughout operating hours.

Pool

When we assumed management, the pool water was extremely cloudy. Our initial focus was restoring proper water chemistry while making the best use of all existing pool equipment. Since July 1, we have:

- Balanced and continuously monitored the pool water chemistry.
- Increased the frequency of filter backwashing to improve filtration.
- Hyperchlorinated the pool while closed to help eliminate organic contaminants.
- Pressure washed algae from the pool deck.
- Adjusted the deck spray heights to reduce standing moisture and help prevent future algae growth.

Although these efforts have improved the overall water quality, the water clarity has not improved to the level we expect. Based on our inspections, we believe the filter media has reached the end of its useful service life. There is no record indicating the filter sand has been replaced in recent years and, based on its condition, it may have been in service for more than five years. Balancing the water chemistry was the first step in identifying the issue. With the water balanced, we are able to rule chemistry issues out of the equation.

This week, the filter sand will be replaced to restore the filtration system's effectiveness. At the same time, all pool return fittings will be adjusted to improve water circulation throughout the pool. Residents may also notice discoloration along the pool tile at the waterline. This buildup is commonly caused by sunscreen, cocoa butter, lotions, and other body oils that adhere to the tile and collect dirt over time. As part of this week's maintenance, the pool tile will be thoroughly cleaned to improve its appearance.

Splashpad

The splashpad has also received several improvements since July 1, including:

- Pressure washing algae and biofilm from all splashpad surfaces.
- Adjusting spray feature heights to prevent water from spraying off the pad, which can carry dirt and organic material back onto the surface and contribute to algae growth.

In addition, we are working on a resolution to restore the hand-operated well pump feature at the splashpad.

We appreciate the community's patience as this work is completed. Our goal is to ensure the facility is clean, operating as intended, and maintained to the standard the community expects.