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**NEWS RELEASE**

# **E.L. Williams Park Improvements Project Groundbreaking Ceremony**

- WHO:** City of El Paso
- WHAT:** Groundbreaking Ceremony
- WHEN:** **Thursday, May 17, 2018 at 11:30 a.m.**
- WHERE:** **E.L. Williams Park, 752 Lafayette Drive**
- WHY:** The City of El Paso's Capital Improvement Department, in conjunction with the Office of City Representative Henry Rivera of District 7, invites the public to a groundbreaking ceremony for E.L. Williams Park, at 752 Lafayette Drive.

This existing park will be receiving various improvements, which will enhance the park, and benefit the children in the surrounding community. The improvements include:

- Installation of a new playground and construction of a rock wall enclosure
- Installation of an engineered wood fiber resilient surface at the playground to protect children during slips and falls
- Construction of a new parking area
- Installation of curb and gutter around the park perimeter
- An ADA accessible walking path
- LED lighting system for the parking lot and playground.

The total budget for the design and construction of improvements to E.L. Williams Park is approximately \$729,000, and is funded by a Community Development Block Grant (CDBG).

CDBG funds have a major impact in communities throughout El Paso, they not only improve parks, but they also enhance housing and neighborhood facilities such as community centers, senior citizen centers, libraries, and streets, building a sense of community pride.

The improvements to these parks are part of the City of El Paso's commitment to enhance the quality of life for residents, visitors, and businesses alike.

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