

PARKS OPERATION PROCEDURE**accepted by Recreation, Culture, and Parks Board on March 2, 2022**

- Community Garden:
 - Opens the Friday of May long weekend
 - Closed Tuesday after Thanksgiving long weekend

 - Bike Skills Park:
 - Opens Friday of May long weekend
 - Closed when weather doesn't permit safe riding or damage to the park as well as our staffing isn't available to maintain any longer.

 - Water Spray Park:
 - Opens the Friday after May long weekend
 - Closed Tuesday after Sept long weekend

 - Tennis Courts (two people; half a day):
 - Not staff heavy and will be opened weather permitting.
 - Close as weather changes, remove post before they freeze in ground.

 - Skating Ponds:
 - are accessed with a walk behind snow blower with an ice thickness of 7 (seven) inches
 - Parks equipment will access the ice when the ice thickness is ~12 (twelve) inches (due to the weight of our equipment). This is our standard operating procedure.

 - Outdoor Rinks and Willow Park Skating Loop (Willow Park and Pine Cr):
 - Work will begin when the ambient daily temperature is minus five (-5) degrees Celsius (or below) and these temperatures are consistent for five (5) days or longer.
 - Parks staff regularly monitor short- and long-range weather forecasts and plans accordingly.
 - Pine Crescent and Willow Park lights will be operational throughout the winter and shoulder seasons to ensure the concrete pads and skate park are useable during these seasons.
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