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Dear Weehawken Residents,

The following is an update from Mayor Turner regarding the reconstruction of Louisa Park.

As you know, Louisa Park was closed in March of 2025 for a major structural and equipment renovation, the first comprehensive overhaul of the playground in more than 50 years.

This project included the replacement of a 10-foot-high by 50-foot-long structural retaining wall with an 8-foot structural fence on top. The retention wall was unsound and required immediate attention to prevent a potential future collapse.

In addition, the park will now feature a bathroom facility. This improvement required extensive underground plumbing to properly connect to the sewer system.

The renovated park will also include a new basketball court, a multi-functional court, brand-new playground equipment designed for children of all ages, and a new Sprinkler water feature. The sprinkler area likewise required significant underground plumbing work.

Unfortunately, the extreme weather conditions in December, January and February have delayed the completion of final upgrades. The installation of the safety surface, which is the last major phase of construction, requires consistent temperatures of 50 degrees or higher for a week, both day and night, to be installed properly.

Once construction is complete, the park will be truly magnificent, and we look forward to welcoming the entire community back to enjoy it.

As improvements are completed, we plan to reopen the park in stages so residents can begin using areas as soon as they are ready.

We are continuously monitoring all parks and playgrounds to ensure they remain safe while snow and ice continue to cover many areas. Today's rain should help improve conditions. Safety remains our top priority. Thank you for your patience and cooperation.

Richard F. Turner

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