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PRIVATE JOHN KEARINS PLAYGROUND NOW OPEN TO THE PUBLIC *DeMaria administration plans to re-do all of Everett's parks & green spaces*

On Friday, June 9th, Mayor Carlo DeMaria announced that Private John Kearins Playground, also known as Meadows Park is now open to the public. The playground was totally funded by the DeMaria's administration's Capital Improvement Plan.

The renovation project included ADA accessible equipment, energy efficient lighting, checker tables, picnic tables, equipment for children up to the age of 12, and a water saving splash pad. The most drastic improvement is the overall beautification of the park, which includes formalized entrance areas, pergolas, ornamental fencing, and decorative lampposts.

Phase 2 of the project will begin this fall and will include restoring the baseball field.

Mayor DeMaria stated, "Keeping our recreational areas and green spaces current and well maintained is an essential aspect of retaining value in our City. Our residents, especially our children, deserve the very best places to retreat for fun and relaxation. Phase 2 of the project will consist of renovating the baseball field."

Mayor DeMaria has spoken about the importance of building a strong community foundation and the significance of renovation and development within the City, especially to community areas such as parks and playgrounds. The Mayor has or plans to re-do all of Everett's parks, recreational amenities and tot lots over the next 5 years. Thus far, under the DeMaria administration, completed projects include;

- Day Park
- Baldwin Park
- Glendale Park
- Madeline English Field
- The Health & Wellness Center
- The Stadium
- The Northern Strand Community Trail
- Meadows Park

The City of Everett and the Metropolitan Planning Council are conducting a survey on how to improve parks and playgrounds in the City in order to give you more opportunities for indoor and outdoor recreation. Please fill out this brief survey to help the City make decisions on how to make Everett a better place to enjoy.

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/658358D>

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