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Mayor Sylvester Turner, together with Houston Housing & Community Development Department, & Houston Parks & Recreation Department to Celebrate \$2.6 Million in Improvements to Winzer Park

Mayor Sylvester Turner, the Houston Housing and Community Development, and the Houston Parks and Recreation Department (HPARD) will celebrate improvements to Winzer Park with a ribbon-cutting ceremony on Monday, November 6, 2023 at 11 a.m. The park is one of the 50 parks identified in Mayor Turner's 50/50 Park Partner initiative. The City's public investment in the 50/50 initiative is upward of \$14 million.

WHAT:	Winzer Park Improvements Ribbon-Cutting Ceremony
WHEN:	Monday, November 6, 2023 11 a.m.
WHERE:	Winzer Park 7300 Carver Road Houston, TX 77088
WHO:	Mayor Sylvester Turner, City of Houston Chief Troy Finner, Houston Police Department Kenneth Allen, Director, Houston Parks & Recreation Dept. Keith Bynam, Director, Houston Housing & Community Dev. C.J. Messiah, Director, Houston General Services Dept.

Winzer Park improvements include: a new sprayground, tennis court resurfacing, new outdoor exercise area with shade sails, new picnic area and picnic shelter, new furnishings, wider walking trails, new fencing, upgraded lighting and landscaping, and improved drainage and detention. The total project cost is \$2,676,795 and was funded with Community Development Block Grant funds, the Parks and Recreation Dedication Fund, and Parks Consolidated Construction funds.

Winzer Park was acquired by the City of Houston in 1978. It was originally named Carver Park but was renamed 10 years later to honor HPD Officer Andrew Winzer, who was killed in the line of duty in February 1988.

About the Houston Parks and Recreation Department

The Houston Parks and Recreation Department (H.P.A.R.D.) stewards and manages 382 parks and 39,501 acres of parkland and greenspace for the City of Houston and develops and implements recreational programming for citizens of all ages and abilities. For more information on the Houston Parks and Recreation Department, call (832) 395-7022 or visit www.houstonparks.org.