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Mayor Norris and City Council invite the public to join them on August 31, 2006 for the official dedication of the newly renovated Division Street Playground.

MOUNT VERNON – The dedication of the newly renovated Division Street Playground, located west of 30th Street, will begin at 4:00 P.M. on August 31, 2006. Mayor Norris and the City Council invite all interested parties to join them to review the improvements and participate in the dedication.

The park area was previously a seldom used basketball and tennis court that saw very little use over the last few years because of overall deterioration. During last year's budget process, Mayor Norris recommended to the Council that they authorize removal of the deteriorated asphalt, and reconstruction of the park with a new children's playground, basketball court, picnicking and open grass area.

Mayor Norris said "As a lifelong, strong supporter of parks, I'm very pleased that this wonderful neighborhood park has been upgraded to serve our residents. When I drive by this park now and see families and their children using the entire facility, it's very satisfying for me". Norris further said "I appreciate the hard work of our Parks Department on this project. They completed the majority of the construction in-house and under budget".

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