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“New Ball Fields and Other Improvements at Ta-Ha-Zouka”

Baseball teams played on new fields at Ta-Ha-Zouka Park this summer thanks to the second phase of the \$16.4 million recreation bond issue approved by voters in 2010.

Phase 1 of the recreational improvement project was the construction of AquaVenture Water Park and the renovation of the baseball field and football field at Veteran’s Memorial Park on South First Street. Phase 2 of the bond issue was used for



improvements to the youth ball field complex at Ta-Ha-Zouka Park. Those improvements included the addition of two baseball fields, three T-ball fields and multi-use green space for soccer, ultimate Frisbee and similar activities. Additional parking, new restrooms, a new concessions stand, and extending city water and sewer to the complex were also part of this project.

“Players and spectators enjoyed the new facility this year as it gave them more parking space and playing time at the complex. It’s a great addition to Ta-Ha-Zouka,” said Pat Mrsny, City of Norfolk Park Superintendent.

Practices and games previously scheduled at Warren Cook Park north of the Norfolk Public Library are now held at Ta-Ha-Zouka Park.

“At Warren Cook Park, there was not adequate parking so fans and players had to walk a ways in the busy streets or use the space in area business’s parking lots. There were also no restrooms available. The new fields at Ta-Ha-Zouka have more parking available, convenient restrooms and concessions, nice player areas and bleachers for fans,” Mrsny said.

Mrsny added that if the library expansion/renovation is approved by voters, the library addition will still leave plenty of green space for throwing Frisbees and other recreation.