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## **Sports\*Com ready for official grand re-opening with sporty new look**

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**MURFREESBORO, Tenn.** – Sports\*Com, located at 2310 Memorial Blvd., will re-open Monday, May 18, 2015, at 6 a.m. with a ribbon-cutting ceremony planned at 10:00 a.m. in the newly renovated lobby. The public is invited to attend. Refreshments will be served from 10 a.m. until 12 noon.

“We are excited to unveil the new and improved amenities Sports\*Com has to offer following the renovation,” said City Parks and Recreation Director Lanny Goodwin. “The expansion and improvements significantly enhance the recreational and fitness needs of our growing community.

The 3000 square foot expansion to the existing Sports\*Com building and renovation includes a newly expanded wellness and fitness area at the front of the facility, resurfacing of the basketball court and track area, upgrades to the locker rooms and restrooms, energy efficient lighting, and a new roof and Heating Ventilation and Air conditioning system. It also includes improvements to the outdoor pool and concession area.

“As customers enter the facility, they will be greeted with a new front desk in the middle of the lobby,” said Superintendent Bart Fite. “It will provide our customers with a friendly and convenient way to check-in before proceeding to their recreational choice.”

One added convenience is a new elevator for customers to gain access to the indoor track and exercise area. The elevator was constructed in the location of the old check-in desk. The indoor track has been resurfaced for added comfort.

The Murfreesboro City Council voted unanimously Oct. 2, 2014, to approve a \$2.7 million plan to expand and renovate Sports\*Com. Baron Construction, LLC was authorized to perform the work after submitting the low bid. Alternate renovations were added to the initial base bid of \$2.4 million, including refinishing the gym floor (\$28,990), resurfacing the indoor track

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(\$50,221), and revising the outdoor pool concession area (\$72,165), replacing air ducts to the indoor pool (\$23,458), and installing of a new water line to McKnight Park (\$109,288). Bids for the renovation to Sports\*Com were opened Sept. 11, 2014. The low bid of five bids was received from Baron Construction with Johnson & Bailey Architects, P.C recommending acceptance.

Sports\*Com was originally built in 1987.

In December 2014, CityTV produced a 4-minute newsbreak video on the planned renovations, which can be viewed on YouTube at [https://youtu.be/nlBsXW\\_BtJ0](https://youtu.be/nlBsXW_BtJ0). For more information, contact Superintendent Bart Fite at 615-895-5040 or e-mail [bfite@murfreesborotn.gov](mailto:bfite@murfreesborotn.gov).

The hours of operation at Sports\*Com are Monday – Friday, 6 a.m. – 9 p.m.; Saturday 8 a.m. – 5 p.m. and Sunday 1 p.m. – 5 p.m.

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**Photos attached captions: Photos by Jim Davis, City Parks & Rec.**

*Sports\*Com re-opens with expanded fitness area, resurfaced track and basketball court, and re-designed locker rooms.*

1. *Sports\*Com Exterior.jpg.*
2. *Newly expanded Weight Room & Fitness Area.jpg.*
3. *Sports\*Com Basketball Court.jpg.*