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### **Parks & Rec reopening on “The Insider”: City of Murfreesboro Podcast features Nate Williams, director of Murfreesboro Parks and Recreation**

**MURFREESBORO, Tenn.** – The Murfreesboro Parks & Recreation Department began a phased reopening of facilities Monday, May 4, 2020. Find out which facilities are open in Phase 1 and the strategy for safely and gradually easing restrictions for facilities as part of the “Reopening Guidelines.” Parks Director Nate Williams provides details on the phased approach on “The Insider,” the City’s monthly Podcast with host Mike Browning.

Parks & Recreation reopening for the first time since March is the topic on this edition of the City’s official Podcast. Listen to “Insider” at <https://cityofmurfreesborotn.podbean.com/>. If you prefer to watch the podcast on YouTube, visit <https://youtu.be/lsGCXYqffqs>.

This latest edition of “The Insider” is available on the City of Murfreesboro’s website <http://www.murfreesborotn.gov/> via Podbean, Spotify and Apple. Just click the **Media Center** tab on the homepage <http://www.murfreesborotn.gov/107/Media-Center> then click “Listen to City Podcasts” to access Podbean <https://cityofmurfreesborotn.podbean.com/>. “The Insider” podcasts can also be accessed on Spotify and Apple Podcast.

Topics discussed with Parks & Recreation Director Nate Williams in this edition of “The Insider” include:

- Safeguards implemented to ensure a safer environment at reopened facilities
- Plans for opening pools at Sports\*Com and Patterson Park Community Center
- How summer camps will be impacted by social-distancing guidelines amid Covid-19
- Plans for opening ball fields and youth programs
- How Parks & Rec is adapting to the new Covid-19 environment with remote, online programming.

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“We all want to get out and enjoy recreational and outdoor activities,” said Parks Director Nate Williams. “We hope patrons appreciate our safeguard measures as we work to implement a phased reopening of our facilities and programs while keeping customers and employees safe. Murfreesboro Parks & Recreation has followed Tennessee Pledge and CDC guidelines while working with the Tennessee and National Parks and Recreation Association to reopen. We hope visitors comply with social-distancing guidelines and other measures to ease the transition.”

For more information on Parks & Recreation programs and facilities, visit [www.murfreesboroparks.com](http://www.murfreesboroparks.com).

“Insider” is hosted by Public Information Director Mike Browning and produced by award-winning producer Michael Nevills every month in the studios located in Murfreesboro City Hall.

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