




MEMORANDUM

Date: August 10, 2020

To: The Honorable Chairman and Members
Pima County Board of Supervisors

From: C.H. Huckelberry
County Administrator 

Re: **January 8th Memorial Construction**

Construction of the January 8th Memorial is proceeding and significant progress has been made. In addition, certain modifications to El Presidio Park have been necessary to reestablish functional irrigation systems. Work on the Memorial will be completed before the 10th Anniversary of January 8th.

I am enclosing a recent graphic showing the Memorial Gardens that will take place in addition to the Memorial itself. An area that will remain unfinished is the fountain located within El Presidio Park.

The fountain has been operated and maintained by the City of Tucson for years. It has unfortunately fallen into a significant state of disrepair, and will require either removal or significant investment to ensure the fountain is functional and does not endanger the structural stability of the parking garage below. A process is underway to receive public input and special interest comments regarding the fountain.

As the irrigation improvements to the El Presidio Park are completed by Pima County, much of the park will be reopened to public use and passage, with the exception of the fountain. Permanent construction fencing will be installed around the fountain, as it is a potential safety hazard in its present condition. This fencing will remain in-place until final disposition of the fountain has been determined.

CHH/lab

Attachment

c: Jan Leshar, Chief Deputy County Administrator
Lisa Josker, Director Facilities Management

