



## Perris News

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### Copper Creek Park Improvements

Perris residents will notice major improvements at South D Street and Copper Creek parks, thanks to a federal grant that paid for new signage, monument signs, barbecue pits and benches.

Constant use over the years left the parks in need of some tender loving care. Vandals, too, had taken their toll, damaging some of the parks' equipment. Capital Improvements Project Manager Michael Morales worked to obtain federal Community Development Block Grants to spruce up the parks.

Work began in September and was completed Jan. 15, when the City conducted a walk-through of the parks and gave its blessing to the new construction.

Final cost for the improvements amounted to \$73,100, about \$22,000 less than original estimates.

"It's a big improvement," Morales told the City Council at its most recent meeting. "Before the work began, the parks were almost barren of equipment."

Mayor Pro-Tem Mark Yarbrough said the improvements "will be very well received by Perris residents." City Councilman Al Landers urged residents to respect park and picnic equipment so all City residents can enjoy it. He also said residents should report vandalism to police.

"Be our partner," Landers said. "Be our eyes and ears."

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Copper Creek Park received new monument signs as part of the recent improvements.

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