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ENGLISH PARK IMPROVEMENTS

At the December 11, 2018 Town Council regular meeting, Council approved improvements to English Park, which include the construction of a splash pad, new playground equipment, and additional shade structures. After the completion of the Altavista Parks and Trails Master Plan in the spring of 2018, Town Council identified these three improvements as forefront projects to be completed by FY 2019. The Altavista Parks and Trails Master Plan will improve the Altavista parks system and trail connectivity over the next ten years.

Southern Playground was hired to design and construct the splash pad, playground, and shade structure improvements. The construction will begin early spring of 2019, and is expected to be completed by June 2019. The estimated total cost for these projects is \$865,000.

The Splash Pad will be located near the playground area in English Park, and will be 5,189 square feet with the maximum capacity to hold 350 people. The splash pad will incorporate unique water features that will attract children from a range of ages, creating a multigenerational public play area.

The new playground equipment will replace the current equipment and will be up to date with the newest safety and technology ratings. The new additional shade structures will be strategically located in-between the playground and splash pad area, allowing for parents and guardians to monitor children in multiple sections of the play area and seek relief from weather conditions.

By improving the parks and recreational opportunities for the town, Altavista hopes to attract new residents and visitors, and serve the multi-generational needs of the community. The listed improvements to the parks will create lasting opportunities for area residents, children, and organizations to use and enjoy for years to come.

For more information on the English Park Improvements, please visit [www.altavistava.gov](http://www.altavistava.gov) or call Town Hall at 434-369-5001.