Alternative Mowing Pilot Program
An area of 0.20 acres within Ward Park will be left unmown through May.

Our intentions:
- Provide the community and staff an opportunity to explore the ecological benefits, grass length, and maintenance challenges of changing mowing practices.
- Allow spring-flowering plants to bloom, which may provide food for pollinators emerging from hibernation.
- Observe other potential benefits including reduced emissions from fuel-powered equipment and improved stormwater infiltration.

What happens after May?
- These areas will return to our bi-weekly mowing schedule. Please allow until mid-June for these areas to be mowed.
- Staff will compile feedback and observations from the community with staff photo-monitoring to inform potential changes to mowing practices.

We welcome feedback from the community. After your visit to Ward Park this spring, submit your observations regarding this project via url.a2gov.org/lessmowfeedback.

Visit the Park Sustainability Initiatives website to learn more.