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The City of Waterville is pleased to announce the receipt of a grant award from the Harold Alfond Foundation for improvements to the Alfond Municipal Pool Complex.

City Manager Mike Roy announced the \$570,000 award and noted the importance of this gift. “I think Waterville’s renaissance really started when the Foundation assisted with building a new pool and constructing the adjacent Alfond Youth Center in 1999-2000” said Roy.

Funding from the Foundation, along with City reserve funds designated for pool improvements will be used to rebuild the slide pool feature. The new slide pool will replace the existing structure that served the city well for nearly 20 years.

“The Alfond Municipal Pool is more of a waterpark than just a pool. The facility includes two kiddie pools, a spray pad, snack shack, shade structure, and of course the two slides. The slide feature makes Waterville’s municipal pool very unique as just one other municipal pool in the state has a similar structure” said Parks and Recreation Director Matt Skehan.

Rebuilding the slide feature will complete phase I of II in the renovation plan for the facility. Phase II will include work to the main pool, kiddie pools, and ancillary structures. Phase I will begin at the end of the 2018 season in mid-August and be complete before opening in June 2019. We hope to begin Phase II in August of 2019.

Skehan went on to add that the pool is a city facility that helps make Waterville a special place to live, work and play and that the city is very grateful for the Harold Alfond Foundation gift.

Gregory Powell, chairman of the Foundation Board of Trustees, “the sounds of a Waterville summer would not be complete without the outdoor municipal pool for area kids. So, with this contribution, the Foundation is delighted to join the City in funding needed repairs for the pool and keeping our kids and the sounds of summer alive and well.”



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