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Mission Park Pavilions opening to include music, kids' activities

County officials will celebrate the grand opening of Mission Park Pavilions, the renovated Mission County Park on Sunday, Sept. 15, Commissioner Sergio "Chico" Rodriguez announced today. The official ribbon cutting ceremony will be from 9 a.m. to noon with a Native American blessing, a mariachi band, a popular cover band and children's activities.

"I hope residents will come see the new park and its potential to become a great venue for reunions, music festivals, and gatherings of any kind," Commissioner Sergio "Chico" Rodriguez said. "We have two great events planned for the day to show off this new South Side jewel."

The ribbon cutting will begin at 9 a.m. with a native American blessing, followed by a performance from Mariachi Fiesta at 10 a.m. The ribbon cutting will begin at 10:30 a.m. and the crowd-pleasing Finding Friday will kick off the music in the performance pavilion at 11 a.m. The San Antonio Children's Museum will have activities for the kids from 9 a.m. to noon.

"This project will really help raise the profile of Mission Park as a suitable location for intimate music festivals," County Judge Nelson Wolff said.

The \$6.9 million renovation project started in February 2012 and was completed earlier this year. The project received a boost with a grant of \$1.75 million from Texas Parks and Wildlife.

A separate music event featuring David Lee Garza y Los Musicales and Los Desperadoz will begin at noon and wrap up at 10 p.m. Admission to both events is free.

The park is located at 802 VFW Blvd.