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**On The Cover:** To prepare for World Cup soccer, 102,000 square feet of bermudagrass sod was brought into RFK Stadium on May 15. The first game was played on June 19. Photo courtesy: Tony Burnett, RFK Stadium.