



Legislation Text

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Presentation regarding park improvements through private/public partnership (Council Member Long and Mayor Hallisey)

City staff was recently approached by a League City select baseball team, 8-year-old youth program, requesting permission to make improvements to the current city-owned practice baseball field at Newport Park. The improvements the team asked to provide include constructing an infield with raised bases and pitcher's mound, providing additional netting to the backstop to prevent foul balls, and a general top dressing the outfield areas. In addition, the team would be responsible for maintenance and replacement of any improvements that the City permitted them to install.

City staff is supportive of this request and feels it will add value to the park for not only the team, but to other players and residents of the neighborhood as well. It will be used for practices only with no competitive game play allowed. The team understands that lights will not be an option and that there is a limited number of on-site parking spaces.

Out of transparency, City staff contacted a representative of the Newport neighborhood to notify the HOA of this potential partnership for park improvements. The HOA expressed support for these improvements and the development of a partnership between the City and the select league team.

FUNDING

{ } Funds are available from Account # _____
{ } Requires Budget Amendment to transfer from Account # _____ to Account # _____
{ X } NOT APPLICABLE

STRATEGIC PLANNING

{ } Addresses Strategic Planning Critical Success Factor # _____ and Initiative # _____
{ X } NOT APPLICABLE