

Legislation Text

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Consider and take action on a resolution authorizing an interlocal agreement with Galveston County for congregate meal services from October 1, 2020 - September 30, 2021 (Director of Parks and Cultural Services)

The City of League City has provided congregate meal services to eligible clients since 2007 at the Recreation Center and then at Hometown Heroes Parks when it opened in October of 2012. Meals are provided on Mondays, Tuesdays, and Thursdays and are delivered and prepared by County staff. The criteria for eligibility include at least 60 years of age and a resident of Galveston County. Seniors can apply for eligibility at Hometown Heroes Park. Clients may contribute a \$1 donation per lunch but that is not required. Currently 70 clients are registered through the program, with 56 being League City residents (80%). However, many of the regular participants and more repetitive users are League City residents. In FY19, 5,157 meals were served at Hometown Heroes Park.

Funding for the program is available through a grant obtained by the Galveston County Parks and Cultural Services Department. The total amount awarded to the County in the grant is \$236,994, with \$34,103 dedicated to League City, roughly 13%. The City is involved through this inter-local agreement to provide the facility and 50% of a full-time staff person to manage the program. The City does not receive funding from the County to cover the cost of the full-time staff person.

The City has a designated full-time staff person that provides oversight and direction to the program, including ordering meals, managing eligibility accounts, completing weekly reports and submitting monthly assessments to the County. About 50% of the full-time staff person's time is dedicated to the congregate meal lunch program.

Since the start of the COVID-19 pandemic in March, the City has continued to offer lunches through curbside service. Once senior services can operate with large gatherings of 50 people or more, we will resume in-person lunches at Hometown Heroes Park.

ATTACHMENTS: