

City of San Antonio

Agenda Memorandum

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In Control: City Council A Session

DEPARTMENT: Parks & Recreation

DEPARTMENT HEAD: Xavier D. Urrutia

COUNCIL DISTRICTS IMPACTED: Council District 9

SUBJECT:

Amendment to Sports License Agreement with San Antonio Elite, a Youth Soccer Academy

SUMMARY:

This Ordinance authorizes the execution of an Amendment to the Sports License Agreement with San Antonio Elite, a Youth Soccer Academy, to expand the licensed premises; no City funds are associated with this action.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

San Antonio Elite, a Youth Soccer Academy (League) has had a sports license agreement with the Parks and Recreation Department for over 12 years for the development, use and maintenance of park property located at 1600 E. Bitters Road (Premises) which is leased from the Aviation Department. During this time, the licensed area has been increased to 14.2455 acres in order to accommodate League growth resulting in the development of additional soccer fields. Currently, the League serves over 1,000 youth on a weekly basis and hosts over 13,000 youths from across the state during regional tournaments at its eight (8) soccer fields located on the Premises.

This Amendment No. 1 to the license agreement will accommodate the League's continued growth by adding 0.49 acres to the Premises which is needed in order to expand the League's parking amenities to accommodate league participants. The League will be responsible for all construction, repair and on-going maintenance of parking improvements on the expanded Premises. When not in use by the League, the soccer fields and expanded parking area will be available for use to the public resulting in increased opportunities for youth recreation.

The term of the amended license agreement will end on February 28, 2019 with a renewal option of an additional term of five (5) years. All other terms and conditions of the current license agreement will remain in effect.

ISSUE:

This ordinance authorizes the Parks and Recreation Department to execute an Amendment to the Sports License Agreement with San Antonio Elite, a Youth Soccer Academy, to expand the premises located at 1600 E. Bitters Road by 0.49 acres to accommodate additional parking amenities. This Amendment will incorporate the additional premises into the existing care arrangement established for the adjacent licensed fields and related amenities. This action is consistent with other sports license agreements in effect for use and operation of City park land by athletic organizations, in return for maintenance of the area; no City funds are associated with this action.

ALTERNATIVES:

City Council could elect not to approve this action, however the City would be responsible for the continued maintenance of the unlicensed premises and the League would be required to identify alternative parking options to meet its needs.

FISCAL IMPACT:

This action has no General Fund impact and will result in cost avoidance to the City since the tenant will take on additional maintenance activities currently performed by the City.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends approval to execute an Amendment to the Sports License Agreement with San Antonio Elite, a Youth Soccer Academy to expand the premises by 0.49 acres to accommodate additional parking amenities.