



City of San Antonio

Agenda Memorandum

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In Control: City Council A Session

DEPARTMENT: Parks and Recreation

DEPARTMENT HEAD: Xavier Urrutia

COUNCIL DISTRICTS IMPACTED: City Wide

SUBJECT:

Amendments to Bexar County Venue Tax Projects License Agreements

SUMMARY:

This ordinance authorizes the execution of Amendments to the Bexar County Venue Tax Projects License Agreements with McAllister Park Little League, Inc., Classics Soccer Academy, and Southeast Boys Baseball, Inc. for the continuation of the term for a five year period beginning November 1, 2013, and amends reporting requirements.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

In 2008 voters approved a Bexar County Venue Tax Program (BCVTP) that provided funding for various amateur sports organizations to develop or expand sports complexes to serve local teams and enhance tourism. In instances where these projects are located on City of San Antonio owned land, the City entered into license agreements with the sports organizations to provide use of the land. Under the terms of these agreements, the sports groups assumed responsibility for the operation and maintenance of the complexes in lieu of rent to the City. The primary term of the agreements is five years with seven five-year renewal options for a total of up to 40 years. Three of these organizations were McAllister Park Little League, Inc. (MPLL), Classics Elite Soccer Academy (CESA) and Southeast Boys Baseball, Inc. (SEBB).

MPLL has operated their program in McAllister Park since 1977 and added amenities with the BCVTP funding. In 2012 they served over 1,000 youth ages 4-18 years old at their 10 play field complex. CESA has operated

their program on City land since 2004 and they constructed their five field complex at McAllister Park with the BCVTP funding in 2010. In 2012 they served over 900 youth ages 7-18 years old. SEBB has operated their program in Southside Lions Park since 1969 and expanded their complex to 8 fields in 2010 with BCVTP funding. In 2012 they served over 500 youth ages 3-14 years old. In addition to local participation, each of these complexes is available for use other sports groups.

The primary term of these Agreements ends on October 31, 2013. Amendment No. 2 to the MPLL Agreement, Amendment No. 1 to the CESA Agreement and Amendment No. 2 to the SEBB Agreement will allow for the first five year renewal option, through October 31, 2018. In addition, the amendments facilitate changes to the reporting requirements to reflect current City and County reporting practices.

ISSUE:

This Ordinance will authorize Amendment No. 2 to the McAllister Park Little League, Inc. Bexar County Venue Tax Project License Agreement, Amendment No. 1 to the Classics Elite Soccer Academy Bexar County Venue Tax Project License Agreement and Amendment No. 2 to the Southeast Boys Baseball, Inc. Bexar County Venue Tax Project License Agreement to extend the term for a five year period beginning on November 1, 2013, and ending on October 31, 2018, and incorporate changes to the reporting requirements. The Amendments are subject to the approval of City Council.

ALTERNATIVES:

These license agreements will allow priority use of the sports complexes in return for maintenance, thus continuing the existing care arrangement for the fields and amenities. An alternative would be for the City not to authorize these Amendments and enter into agreements with other sports organizations to manage and operate the complexes.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Under the terms of the License Agreement, MPLL, CESA and SEBB will continue use of the sports complexes at no charge but will continue to be responsible for providing all associated maintenance which will result in cost avoidance to the City.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends approval of Amendment No. 2 to the McAllister Park Little League, Inc. Bexar County Venue Tax Project License Agreement, Amendment No. 1 to the Classics Elite Soccer Academy Bexar County Venue Tax Project License Agreement and Amendment No. 2 to the Southeast Boys Baseball, Inc. Bexar County Venue Tax Project License Agreement.