



AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY FORM

MEETING DATE: 4/11/2022

PREPARED BY: Megan Mainer, Director of Parks & Recreation

AGENDA CONTENT: Discussion and possible action on select team field usage at Angleton sport complexes.

AGENDA ITEM SECTION: Regular Agenda

BUDGETED AMOUNT: \$0 **FUNDS REQUESTED:** \$0

FUND: NA

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

On February 14, 2022, the Parks and Recreation Board met with Angleton Sports Associations to discuss calendar year 2022 Athletic Sports Agreements. During the Parks & Recreation Board meeting, local Athletic Sports Associations expressed concerns related to select team usage. The Parks and Recreation Board directed staff to increase the annual field maintenance expense line item for FY2022-2023, reinstate light scheduling software for Freedom Park, and budget for lighting software for other sports complexes with similar issues.

Since the Parks and Recreation Board last met, all agreements have been executed for the calendar year 2022 and lighting software for Freedom Park has been received and staff is working on reinstating in April. Additionally, weekly field rental schedules are communicated through email to impacted Athletic Sports Associations.

Some concerns have been raised regarding charging for the use of fields, with and without lights. The existing ordinance under Chapter 17, Section 17.45. c. reads as follows:

Any athletic team, other than league or tournament teams who are included under subsections (a) or (b), wishing to use any city park for practice of games will pay, per usage, the fee as listed in the fee schedule of the City of Angleton to the parks and recreation department. Payment must be made at least one week prior to desired use. Payments submitted without at least one week's notice will be void and usage denied. Practices of games that are not able to be held due to inclement weather, will be issued a refund, by check, or rescheduled, if available, when the responsible party contacts the recreation specialist within the first business day. Athletic teams will be contacted by the parks and recreation department staff if practices or games need to be cancelled due to fields being too wet or unsafe to play on.

Staff is seeking direction from the Parks and Recreation Board regarding ordinance revisions for select team usage for future Angleton Sports Association agreements. Staff has enclosed Chapter 17, Sec.17-45. User fees and obligations for reference.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends the Parks and Recreation Board discuss the impacts of ordinance revisions.