



Date: November 2, 2023
To: Mayor and City Council
From: Deb Appel, Treasurer
Subject: 2024 Fee Schedule

BACKGROUND: City staff has reviewed the annual Fee Schedule and recommends minimal changes for 2024.

Court: In 2023, the City Council executed a contract with Lautz Law which increased the amount paid by the city. The proposed 2024 Fee Schedule lists 8.1.2 Court Appointed Attorney Fee and 8.1.3 Court Re-Appointed Attorney Fee to reflect the exact amount charged to the city by Lautz Law and passed onto the defendant. Without this increase the city would continue to be burdened with the extra cost and unable to pass the expense to the defendant.

Recreation: In 2023, pool admissions and membership fees increased yet recreation programs remained the same for the past six years. The last increase was 2018.

Staff compared Bel Aire's fees to Valley Center, Andover, Maize, and the Wichita YMCA; evaluated the number of classes, games, and practices, plus considered program expenses including uniforms and awards. Research showed that Bel Aire Recreation fees should be increased to be in line with neighboring recreation centers fees and cover the program's increased costs. In addition, the Recreation Center proposes two fee structures for Day Camp and Schools Out Camp because Day Camp incurs additional field trip and transportation expenses.

Utility Rates: Per Resolutions R-13-03 and R-13-04 establishing water and sewer rates, each utility increases 3% annually, which is reflected on the first bill of each calendar year. Rates have adjusted annually since the passage of the 2013 resolution. 2024 Residential and Commercial Rates are added to the 2024 Fee Schedule.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Pass Resolution R-23-___ formally adopting 2024 City of Bel Aire Fee Schedule.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS: Court Appointed Attorney Fee and Court Re-Appointed Attorney Fee will cover direct costs to the city. Updated recreation program fees will increase revenue to the Recreation Fund and help offset increased expenses.

LEGAL IMPLICATIONS:

N/A

ATTACHMENTS:

Recreation Fees Comparison 2023-2024
Proposed 2024 City of Bel Aire Fee Schedule
Resolution R-23-___