

## CITY OF BELLE ISLE, FLORIDA CITY COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM COVER SHEET

Meeting Date: October 18, 2022

To: Honorable Mayor and City Council Members

From: B. Francis, City Manager

Subject: Wallace Field Use

**Background**: In 2019, the City and CCA entered into an agreement that allows CCA to use Wallace Field for team practices. A site plan and conceptual design was developed and approved by both the City and CCA. At the time, the City was also investigating the purchase of the Bank of America (BoA) Building. The initial intent to purchase the BoA building was to convert the property to a new Police Station/Emergency Operations Center. Follow-on discussions regarding the building led to including the BoA building as part of the new CCA lease agreement. CCA's plan calls for the BoA property to be developed as part of the campus expansion for a new High School building; thereby eliminating the use of the property for a Police Station. With the need for a new police station, the City investigated several sites for the new station. One of those sites that met the criteria was Wallace Field.

The Council requested this issue be discussed again to determine the disposition of Wallace Field.

The City received a few emails regarding Wallace Field. Those emails refer to Wallace Field as part of the CCA expansion and the field now belongs to CCA. This is not the case. The field is not part of the expansion, and this is a City park and does not belong to CCA. CCA will use it for team practice only.

**Staff Recommendation**: The staff recommends the Council explore all options and decide what is in the community's best interest.

Suggested Motion: No motion suggested. TBD based on Council direction.

Alternatives: N/A

Fiscal Impact: TBD.

Attachments: None