



STAFF REPORT
5/19/2026

TO: Parks and Recreation Chair and Commissioners

FROM: Andrew Simmons, P.E., Public Works Director/ City Engineer

SUBJECT: Provide Recommendations for the Memorandum of Understanding Between the City of Coachella and the Sports Leagues.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends that the Parks and Recreation Chair and Commissioners review the language within the existing Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the Soccer League Recreation Service Providers and the City, and provide direction and guidance for any modifications to be incorporate into the next term.

BACKGROUND:

On April 21st, 2026, the Parks and Recreation Commission voted unanimously to recommend the continuation of soccer recreation services with both of the existing leagues currently serving Coachella, Coachella Valley Soccer League (CVSL) and Coachella Youth Sports Association (CYSA).

On May 13th, 2026, the recommendation to continue Soccer Recreation services with two leagues was agenzized for consideration by the City Council.

DISCUSSION/ANALYSIS:

On June 10th 2024 the City of Coachella approved the thirteenth amendment to the MOU between the City of Coachella and the Sports Leagues. Per section 10 of the MOU, the term was automatically renewed for the 2025/2026 season and remains in effect at this time. If no formal modifications are made t the MOU and no requests for termination form any signatory parties are received, then the thirteenth amended MOU would automatically extend for another year until such time as it is superseded by a new modified agreement. City staff seeks input from our recreation commissioners, community, Sports Leagues, and City Council to amend and modify the existing MOU to better serve the communities recreational needs.

Upon receiving direction from City Council and the Parks and Recreation Commission. City staff will draft a modified MOU for the 26/27 soccer season. The final MOU updates will reflect community comments, Commissioner comments and City Council comments to ensure that the revised soccer league MOU addresses community and Council concerns. The final draft MOU will be presented and discussed at the next regularly scheduled Parks and Recreation Commission

meeting and City Council shall have the final authority of approval for the final sports league MOU. Preliminary topics to be considered for modification within the next MOU shall include:

1. Stricter enforcement and penalties for public intoxication.
2. Stricter enforcement and penalties for violent behavior/fighting.
3. Updated communication standards between the leagues and City staff.
4. Reevaluating distribution of field use.
5. Reinstating Field Use fees.
6. Updating Insurance requirements.
7. Term lengths

ATTACHMENTS:

1. Thirteenth amendment to the MOU between the City of Coachella and the Sports Leagues