



City of Colusa California

STAFF REPORT

DATE: March 15th 2022
TO: City of Colusa Mayor and Council Members
FROM: Jesse Cain, City Manager

AGENDA ITEM:

Subject: City Council to consider setting aside 25 acres of the wastewater reclamation property for future recreation activities and to enter a land use agreement with the Utilities division.

Recommendation: Council to consider approving the Resolution setting 25 acres of the wastewater reclamation property for future recreation activities.

BACKGROUND ANALYSIS:

The City of Colusa purchased through a grant 600 acres next to the wastewater treatment plant. The property was obtained for the purpose of using the land for the City of Colusa's recycled water, it was also to set the City up for the next 40 or 50 years. Right now in the current conditions we only have enough reclaimed water to irrigate 88 to 100 acres of farm land. In the future I hope to build a bigger storage pond to be able to irrigate more farm land.

It has been brought to my attention the City of Colusa residents are in the need of new baseball and soccer fields. I know it has been talked about in the past with other City managers and council to build some type of sports complex, the property that I am talking about has been brought up in the past the only difference between now and then is now the City owns the land.

There has been talk in the community on how they would help and get volunteers to help and build the facility. Right now, I have no idea on costs or what type of grants may be used. This is just the first step in the process if the City council does decide to carve out 25 acres for this. Then the City general fund would have to enter a long-term lease with the utilities department. Then the planning of the complex would begin. The good thing about this location is that it can be built so that it can be irrigated with reclaimed water.

If we don't start planning today, then we can't build tomorrow things take years sometime to happen, but we are over our biggest hurdle we currently own the property.

BUDGET IMPACT: Unknown at this time.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION: Council to approve Resolution 22 approving Resolution
Setting 25 acres of the wastewater reclamation property for future recreation actives