

# CITY COMMISSION STAFF REPORT

# **DEPARTMENT:** Parks and Recreation Department

# **SUBJECT:** Motion to approve Reciprocal Use Agreement with the School Board of Broward County, Florida – **Parks, and Recreation**

### **CITY MANAGER RECOMMENDATION:**

The City Manager recommends renewing the Reciprocal Use Agreement between the City of Cooper City and the School Board of Broward County, Florida.

#### **BACKGROUND OF ITEM:**

The City and the School Board of Broward County have a longstanding relationship. This relationship is formalized through a Reciprocal Use Agreement. The current Reciprocal Use Agreement applies to the following public schools:

- Cooper City Elementary
- Embassy Elementary
- Griffin Elementary
- Pioneer Middle School
- Cooper City High School

Though the school has the ability to utilize City Licensed Facilities (Exhibit A), the predominant requested use is:

- Community Center
- Flamingo West Park
- Pool and Tennis Center
- Suellen H. Fardelmann Sports Complex

### ANALYSIS:

The Parks and Recreation Department is the liaison Department and coordinates the scheduling for the use of the facilities. By way of the Reciprocal Use Agreement, the City and the public schools have the ability and access to utilize each other's facilities. This is useful in utilizing facilities for events, programs, athletics and additional uses that arise. If approved, the Reciprocal Use Agreement would be valid from the date of execution with a five (5) year term.

### STRATEGIC PLAN:

Maintaining the relationship with the Schools is identified with the third priority, A Strong Sense of Place. The community relationship helps foster community pride and increases social interactions.

#### FISCAL IMPACT:

Through the Reciprocal Use Agreement, fees are not exchanged for the use of the facilities. There could be a custodial fee. If this is applicable, the school and City will coordinate in accordance with the agreement. (Section 2.05)

#### **ALTERNATIVES:**

If the City does not renew the Reciprocal Use Agreement, we will not be able to utilize the schools and vice versa. This could limit or restrict programs, events, and additional programs the City has to offer.

## ATTACHMENTS:

1. Reciprocal Use Agreement with the School Board of Broward County, Florida

| Workflow History |                          |                           |                      |
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| Weiss, Stacie    | NEW ITEM: Not Yet Routed | *COMPLETE: Forward to Cit | 03/29/22<br>08:38 AM |
| Horowitz, Jacob  | Assigned to Attorney     | COMPLETE: Forward to Cit  | 03/29/22<br>08:39 AM |
| Napoli, Joseph   | Assigned to City Manager | COMPLETE: Forward to Cit  | 03/29/22<br>09:19 AM |
| Allen, Tedra     | Assigned to City Clerk   | APPROVE ITEM: End Workf   | 03/29/22<br>09:26 AM |
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