



Recreation Advisory Board

CITY OF GLADSTONE
1100 Delta Ave
Gladstone, MI 49837

Staff Report

Agenda Date: 11/12/2024
Department: Parks and Recreation
Presenter: Wendy Taavola

AGENDA ITEM TITLE: National Fitness Campaign – Fitness Court

BACKGROUND: During the August meeting, the Board was shown a video presentation from Fitness Court and the National Fitness Campaign. It was discussed as a potential upgrade to the equipment currently in place on the Jones Property. In further conversation with the National Fitness Campaign, the department was encouraged to fill out a non-binding grant application for approximately 1/3 of the cost of a Fitness Court in Gladstone. The National Fitness Campaign has selected our application for funding.

The Jones Property lease update has not been finalized as of this meeting. A space closer to the Kid's Kingdom parking lot has been proposed as a backup location.

The project would require the Fitness Court to be installed in the year 2025. This is a fast-moving project with no guarantee of additional funding.

FISCAL EFFECT: \$100,000 if no other grants are pursued. The department plans to seek additional grant funding.

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION: National Fitness Campaign Proposed Project Schedule.

RECOMMENDATION: The department is seeking input on whether we move forward with this project. A resolution from the City Commission is required. The department would also like to form a committee including a member or members of the Board to assist in seeking additional funding and local community support.