



Leisure Services

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Memo

To: Mayor and Stonecrest City Council

From: Ben Dillard, Director

CC: N/A

Date: 11/3/2022

Re: Leisure Services Association Manual

The Leisure Services Department currently rents field space to no less than twelve (12) organized youth and adult athletic organizations. Collectively, these groups represent approximately 2,000 participants and together with extended family, friends, officials, coaches and other participants, are responsible for tens of thousands of visitors to our facilities and make up the bulk of our current athletic programming. As “renters”, these organizations have no affiliation with the City, nor are they entitled to support or promotion.

Our goal is to build a long-term relationship with organizations that provide programming that benefit the citizens of Stonecrest and demonstrate our commitment to helping them grow. Supporting groups to provide services in this manner is common industry practice and the majority of our neighboring agencies currently have rules and policies in place to align themselves with such groups. That process includes creating a quality standard for every partner so everyone understands what is expected in order to operate in Stonecrest. This also defines the level of service and quality we want for our community and provides a consistent guide so that everyone knows what can be expected from the City as well.

Moving forward, we want to meet with each group in December to review our Athletic Association Manual and sign a Facility Use Agreement to secure their space for the following year. We will make this an annual meeting to ensure rules are followed, our relationship is up to date and assess the community and Department needs on a regular basis. Our Athletic Association Manual was developed by reviewing neighboring agency manuals and assessing the needs of our participants. We have already met with each group and they are excited to see this happen.

We cannot possibly operate every activity available to our community. Developing partnerships like this allows us to increase programs and variety offered and allows us to do more with less. However, we also want to ensure that every activity is provided and monitored with the same level of quality, care and customer service as if we provided the program ourselves. By committing to follow the



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Stonecrest Athletic Association Manual, organizations are promising to provide the highest quality program possible in the safest environment available and extend this opportunity and fairness to anyone who wishes to participate.

Listing of the major groups we currently rent field space to.

League	Sport	Coach	Contact Number	Email	Park
Lithonia Lions	Football	Dennis Allen	404.630.1595	Dennisallen05@comcast.net	Southeast
404 Bulls	Football	Kennard Turner	404.978.5403	404bulls@gmail.com	Southeast
Stonecrest Spartans	Football	Bert Miller Antius Wilson	678.851.2255 404.915.1755	Bertmiller25@gmail.com Antius.wilson@gmail.com	Browns Mill
Attach Soccer	Soccer	Louis Vinson	404.630.1231	ibvinson@yahoo.com	Southeast
I9 Sports (30058)	Various	Sharad Johnson	678.250.3380	Sharad.johnson@i9sports.com	Southeast
I9 Sports (30038)	Various	Janet Williams	404.418.6626	Janet.williams@i9sports.com	Browns Mill Park and Rec Center
Branch Outreach	Kickball	Pastor Shelley Kendra Thomas	678.334.7834	pastor.yaquis.shelley@gmail.com administrators@branchoutreach.org	Southeast
A-Town Sports	Football	Brandon Marsh	404.643.6673	Bmarsh07@gmail.com	Southeast
Dekalb Lions Baseball	Baseball	Marius Nolden	404.290.5626	Noldenmarius1@gmail.com	Browns Mill
United Cleats	Kickball	Tiny Archer	678.481.1878	tinyarcher@gmail.com	Southeast
Liga Hermanos Unidos de Atlanta	Softball	Onesimo Nunez	404.542.4432	nunezhvacplumore@gmail.com	Played at Browns Mill but having tournament at SE
Sweet Lady Kickers	Kickball	Kassandra Domineck	678.732.5688	Kassdesignbiz10@att.net	Southeast

I have also included the following from our proposed manual:

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Introduction Page (snapshot of purpose)

Leisure Services' mission is to provide quality parks, programs, services, and experiences that energize visitors and create life-long users and advocates. The city will provide and promote safe, healthy, and enriching recreational and educational opportunities that promote stewardship of Stonecrest's natural and cultural heritage.



Athletic Association Manual

Policies and Procedures

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Stonecrest Leisure Services was created and operates for the health, wellness and enjoyment for all of our citizens. All Stonecrest Athletic Associations (SAA) will consider casual recreation first when it comes to their scheduling of practices and games. Travel and Select Teams, Special Events and Tournaments serve a purpose as well, but the needs of the casual recreation teams should always take precedence in scheduling. This manual is a document which is continuously reviewed throughout the year. The Director of Leisure Services has the right to change the wording of this manual at any time. Any changes will be sent to the proper designee of each SAA in a timely manner.

In order to qualify to operate on the City of Stonecrest property, each Stonecrest Athletic Association (SAA) must adhere to certain minimum organizational requirements. These requirements are necessary to ensure the protection of all SAA members, park users and the citizens of Stonecrest. A violation of any requirement shall constitute cause for revocation of the facility use permit. Facility Use Permit approval and violations and consequences shall be subject to Department Director review.

A Facility Use Agreement is required for a SAA to acquire a Facility Use Permit. Facility Use Agreements will run from January 1 and terminate on December 31, with the term of years subject to each Agreement. Notwithstanding any changes, and notwithstanding any extension clauses to the contrary, if a new Agreement is not signed by both parties prior to January 1, then the Agreement and relationship between Stonecrest Leisure Services and the SAA are considered terminated and no Agreement exists. However, an Agreement may be signed any time for use, extension or renewal. But, if no Agreement exists on January 1, then the opportunity for renewal for a standing SAA, is open and subject to a new organization's readiness.