

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

Between

Tigard-Tualatin School District, City of Tualatin and City of Tigard

For the joint operations and use of sports and athletic fields

In 2020, Tigard-Tualatin School District, City of Tualatin and City of Tigard began a series of meetings to discuss potential improvements to the use of sports fields managed by each agency. A set of recommendations were developed as an end product of these meetings. In January of 2022, the Elected Representatives from each agency held a work session to consider the proposed recommendations and to provide direction for staff of each organization.

Direction was provided to staff to develop an Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) for consideration by each Board or Council. This future IGA will define a new model of partnership and cooperation between the three organizations.

As a first step, this Memorandum of Understanding (“MOU”), between the Tigard-Tualatin School District, City of Tualatin, and City of Tigard documents the intent of each partner to work in good faith to develop an amenable, long-term strategy for the increased public use and stewardship of sports and athletic fields within their service areas and are referred to herein as “the Parties.”

The Parties have a strong shared commitment to the community they serve. Based on this commitment, the Parties resolve to develop an IGA that is focused the following shared goals:

1. To increase opportunities for physical, mental, and emotional wellness
2. To ensure equity and access for all
3. To efficiently use and steward publicly owned spaces
4. To reduce barriers for participation in activities

These shared goals shall be achieved through the following areas of work to be defined within the IGA:

1. Dedicate staff resources to attend meetings, perform outreach, and develop recommendations for adoption by the Parties.
2. Develop shared reservation practices and policies that:
 - a. Include a shared fee schedule
 - b. Define priority user groups
 - c. Provide an equity/needs based allocation model
3. Define how and when a shared common field and facility scheduler would be created, for the purposes of field scheduling between Parties.
4. Identify school sites for future shared investment in high-quality fields.
5. Identify funding opportunities that will support a future partnership.

Upon approval of this MOU, staff from each of the Parties will work cooperatively to develop an IGA, to incorporate the work areas and shared goals defined in this MOU. The IGA will be brought before each organization’s Board or Council for consideration for adoption.

This MOU expires at midnight on _____, OR at such time that any Party, in their sole discretion, deem the proposed concepts to be unachievable; or, determine that sufficient progress toward achieving the goals is not being met for any reason. The Parties may agree in writing to amend or renew this MOU to extend its duration. The Parties, by and through their undersigned representatives, understand, acknowledge and agree that this MOU creates an agreement to continue to negotiate in good faith; PROVIDED THAT the Parties also understand, acknowledge and agree that this MOU creates no other legal right, obligation or cause of action in the Parties. Nothing in this Memorandum shall create any legal right, obligation or cause of action in any person or entity not a party to it.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties have executed this Memorandum of Understanding. The parties attest that the signatories to this MOU have the authority to enter into this agreement on behalf of their respective agencies.

City of Tigard


Signature: _____

Print Name: _____

Title: _____

Date: _____

Tualatin-Tigard School District

Signature: 

Print Name: Dr. Sue Rieke-Smith

Title: Superintendent

Date: 02/28/2022

City of Tualatin

Signature: _____

Print Name: _____

Title: _____

Date: _____