

# CITY OF TUALATIN Staff Report

TO:	Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council
THROUGH:	Sherilyn Lombos, City Manager
FROM:	Ross Hoover, Parks and Recreation Director Julie Ludemann, Recreation Manager
DATE:	March 28, 2022

# SUBJECT:

Consideration of Resolution No. 5609-22 Authorizing the City Manager to Execute a Memorandum of Understanding Between the Tigard-Tualatin School District, City of Tualatin, and City of Tigard to Develop a Strategy for Joint Operations and Use of Sports and Athletic Fields.

#### RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends adoption of Resolution No. 5609-22 to authorize the City Manager to execute a Memorandum of Understanding for the joint operations and use of sport and athletic fields with the School District and City of Tigard.

#### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:**

City Council adopted the Parks and Recreation Master Plan in 2019 that identified the need for additional sports fields for community educational, recreational and competitive athletic activities. The system wide master plan process involved extensive public outreach and community engagement. The master plan demonstrates the deficiency of field space, and the *need for additional sport fields, and enhancements to existing fields to improve and expand playability.* The Parks and Recreation Master Plan recommends a school joint use agreement that includes *Coordination of use of school facilities; formalize a system-wide joint use agreement.* 

The Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) has two main components: 1. Create consistent policies, practices and scheduling for field use; 2. Renovate and improve identified existing fields that have safety, access and equity use concerns. The partnership with the school district and neighboring city is a cost effective approach to acquiring additional land to build new fields.

Community benefits include: Increase opportunities for physical, mental, and emotional wellness Equity and access for all Efficiently use and steward publicly owned spaces Reduce barriers for participation in activities

Goals of the MOU: Dedicate staff to develop recommendations Develop shared reservation practices and policies Define shared field scheduling Identify school sites for future shared field investments Funding opportunities to support future partnership

## FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:

We do not expect any cost to develop a plan for an Intergovernmental Agreement to implement the partnership of the three municipal agencies working together on field joint operations and use. Future funding will be needed implement the outcome of the MOU planning and collaboration.

## ATTACHMENTS:

Resolution No. 5609-22 Exhibit A - Memorandum of Understanding Presentation