

Thursday, May 21, 2009

Police RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION

Item No. 22

Subject: Authorize the negotiation and execution of an agreement with the Young Mens Christian Association of Austin and Greater Austin First Tee to provide an Austin Police Department sponsored Police Activities League of Austin Program (APD-PAL) golfing curriculum, including allowing the City public access through the property and the right to re-construct a foot/cart path bridge for the Walnut Creek Hike & Bike Trail System, for a three-year term with extension options in an annual in-kind contribution amount not to exceed \$40,000 with a maximum in-kind contribution amount not to exceed \$120,000 for the three year term.

Fiscal Note: There is no unanticipated fiscal impact. A fiscal note is not required.

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The project is in collaboration with the Parks and Recreation Department (PARD) and the Austin Water Utility (AWU). As a part of the APD-PAL use agreement, the Walnut Creek Hike & Bike Trail System, funded by legislation passed in 2005 by the U.S. Congress, will be connected. Agreement highlights are as follows:

Greater Austin First Tee (First Tee) will enroll 60 students/APD mentors annually for a seven-week after school instructional program and 34 students/APD mentors annually for a one-week summer instructional program over a three-year period.

YMCA will grant property access and convey easements to the City for a public trail through the property to connect with the Walnut Creek Hike & Bike Trail System.

AWU will provide an annual in-kind contribution of effluent water services for the property over a threeyear period.

PARD will demolish an existing foot/cart bridge over Walnut Creek and will fund and manage the construction of a replacement bridge to connect the trail using a combination of a government grant and local bond proceeds.

The City will inspect, maintain and repair the replacement bridge as needed in perpetuity. First Tee will provide ongoing routine maintenance and landscaping in the bridge and trail areas.

Any extension option will only occur following approval by Council.