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AGENDA



Recommendation for Council Action

AUSTIN CITY COUNCIL
Regular Meeting : February 15, 2018 Item Number: **019**

Parks and Recreation

Discussion and possible action regarding the potential use of identified city-owned sites, to include underutilized parkland, for a Major League Soccer stadium and practice fields/ancillary uses that could serve an MLS team and the surrounding community.

Lead Department	Parks and Recreation Department.
Fiscal Note	There is no fiscal impact.
Prior Council Action	Resolution 20171109-046 directed the City Manager to identify city-owned sites, to include underutilized parkland, for a Major League Soccer stadium and practice fields/ancillary uses that could serve an MLS team and the surrounding community.
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Additional Backup Information:

Resolution 20171109-046 directed the City Manager to identify city-owned sites, to include underutilized parkland, for a Major League Soccer stadium and practice fields/ancillary uses that could serve an MLS team and the surrounding community.

The Parks and Recreation Department was assigned as the lead department to facilitate the analysis and produce a preliminary report that included but was not limited to:

- Traffic and other potential impacts on business, places of worship, public facilities, residential neighborhoods and schools adjacent to the identified sites;
- Displacement of City programs or services as a result of a conversion in use;
- New programs serving Austin residents, including community benefits that could result from the construction of a stadium and practice fields;
- Direct and indirect economic benefits of having an MLS team in Austin; and
- Processes for engaging the public in consideration of these options.

The analysis included, to the best of PARD's ability,engagement with neighborhood groups, Precourt Sports Ventures, Austin Sports and Entertainment, area colleges and universities, independent school districts within Austin city limits, Central Health and other potential stakeholders.
The final report, including executive summary and associated cover memo will be available Wednesday, December 13, 2017.