COMMUNITY & LIBRARY SERVICE COMMISSION REQUEST FOR ACTION

SUBMITTED TO: Community & Library Services Commission

SUBMITTED BY: Chris Cole, Acting Deputy Director

PREPARED BY: Charlene Gomez, Sr. Administrative Assistant

Subject:

Seaview Little League's request to relocate an existing batting cage at LeBard Park ballfields.

Statement of Issue:

Seaview Little League (SVLL) is requesting approval to relocate an existing batting cage to the west end of the baseball facility, adjacent to the original batting cages. There is a need for Commission to approve the project prior to review by the Design Review Board (DRB).

Financial Impact:

There is no financial impact to the City. SVLL will provide the funding necessary for the project.

Recommended Action:

Approve the request by Seaview Little League to relocate an existing batting cage at LeBard Park adjacent to the original cages and move the item forward to the Design Review Board for the design approval process.

Alternative Action(s):

Do not approve the request and direct staff accordingly.

Analysis:

SVLL and the City entered into a License Agreement in October 2020, whereupon the City provides SVLL with the facility for youth baseball activities. In lieu of rental fees, the League provides in-kind maintenance services and upkeep of the grounds and improvements (concession stand and restrooms), within LeBard Park.

SVLL unknowingly installed a batting cage within the set-back of the adjacent residential development. Staff notified the League of the error and asked that it be removed from the set-back. SVLL is seeking approval for their proposal to relocate the new batting cage to the west end of the facility adjacent and perpendicular to the original batting cages. The cage would be reconstructed by a licensed contractor, and all necessary safety precautions would be taken, in addition to obtaining all City-required permits. The cage size is 44'L x 16'W x 12'H.

The League would continue to use the amenity under the same conditions as the original cages, including adherence to current policy and procedures. Hours of use would be no earlier than 9 am and no later than dusk, Monday through Saturday and will not be used at night due to lack of lighting within the park.

Prior to relocation, this project requires review and approval from the Design Review Board. Should Commission approve the project, staff will work with the Planning Department to guide the project through the DRB approval process.

Environmental Status:

To be determined by the Planning Department and/or Design Review Board

Strategic Plan Goal:

Non Applicable - Administrative Item

Attachment(s):

1. SVLL Batting Cage Proposal Packet