

MEMO



To: Tim Dentler
From: Matthew D. McComb
Cc: Brian Bristow; Carrie Cessna
Re: Request for Sole Source
Date: August 1, 2019

Justification:

Parks and Recreation Department is seeking sole source for anticipated improvements to Spirit Park. Improvements include the installation of outfield nets on two of the existing softball/baseball fields. We have had an overwhelming amount of balls damage vehicles within the parking lot, which in turn has forced a majority of the parking within an unapproved field away from the sports complex. These conditions have forced many hardships on staff that are tasked with managing the facility. These altered conditions have created unavoidable incidents of conflict between patrons using the facility in unintended ways. The outfield nets should resolve known conflicts onsite by containing most homerun balls within the fields adjacent to the paved parking. This request comes as an emergency to alleviate the conflicts onsite.

Additionally, Parks is also pursuing sole source for these improvements in order to streamline the management, maintenance and future repairs by having one product onsite. This would allow for the existing backstop nets to match the proposed outfield nets which are integral to the fields and should function one in the same. The current system is under warranty, and as such, any proposed improvements would fall under one entity for warranty, which again provides efficiencies and ease of future management.

Should you have any questions regarding this matter please do not hesitate to contact me at your earliest convenience.

Kind regards,

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