

CITY OF CLARKSTON

CLARKSTON CITY COUNCIL MEETING

ITEM NO: G1

HEARING TYPE:
Council Meeting

BUSINESS AGENDA / MINUTES

ACTION TYPE:
Contract

MEETING DATE: September 3, 2013

SUBJECT: Field Rental Agreement – City of Clarkston and Decatur Baseball Club, LLC

DEPARTMENT: Administration

PUBLIC HEARING: YES NO

ATTACHMENT: YES NO
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PURPOSE:

To consider and approve a field rental agreement between the City of Clarkston and Decatur Baseball Club, LLC

NEED/ IMPACT:

Due to budgetary constraints and an uncertainty regarding the demand for baseball in the area, additional improvements to the baseball field were deferred. A local youth baseball club contacted the City of Clarkston and a public/private partnership to further improve the Milam Park baseball field, being proposed.

The improvements will include:

- Installation of a smooth dirt infield of sufficient size to support little league baseball and softball
- Installation of base stobs permitting multiple lengths of bases to be utilized
- Installation of a net batting cage
- Installation of a pitching bullpen area
- Installation of storage lockers in the dugout areas

The estimated cost of these improvements is no more than \$8,775. We propose that:

- The DBC and City of Clarkston will each contribute up to \$4,387.50, split 50/50
- The DBC will rent the field during fall and spring seasons for 7 days a week, two hours per day for one year, with 4 additional option years
- In return for the up-front contribution of funding, the DBC's rental costs would be \$20 per hour, discounted by 100% in year 1, 70% in year 2, 40% in year 3, 40% in year 4, and 20% in year 5

- The City of Clarkston will have the ability to rent the field otherwise, and the DBC would not be entitled to any rental royalties
- All improvements will be owned by the City of Clarkston

RECOMMENDATIONS:

Staff recommends approving the attached Field Rental Agreement between the City of Clarkston and the Decatur Baseball Club, LLC.