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ACTION FORM
BRYAN CITY COUNCIL

Meeting Date (?) 06/07/2016

Subject Matter* (?) Brazos County Archery Club Lease Agreement Renewal
This must match rolling agenda entry

Department of Origin* PARKS & RECREATION

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Type of Meeting* ○ BCD ○ Special ◉ Regular

Classification* ○ Public Hearing ◉ Consent ○ Statutory ○ Regular

Ordinance* ◉ None ○ First Read ○ Second Read ○ First & Only Read

Strategic Initiative* ☐ Public Safety ☐ Service ☐ Economic Development ☑ Infrastructure ☑ Quality of Life

Agenda Item Description* Consider approval to renew a lease agreement between the City of Bryan and the Brazos County Archery Club for the use of the old Bryan Landfill as an archery range.

Summary Statement *

The Brazos County Archery Club began in 1948 and is the oldest archery club in Texas. The Club promotes all forms of archery. They host seminars and include outside organizations such as 4H, Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts. They hold monthly public shoots. Members are welcome to shoot on the practice bag-target range at their convenience. The Club hosts standard 3D archery tournaments in the wooded range each month. Thirty 3D targets are set at varying distances and ASA scoring is used.

This agreement represents a lease for a period of five (5) years with one subsequent renewal term of five (5) years under the same conditions for the use of the old Bryan Landfill located at the end of Louis Street.

The initial lease between the City of Bryan and the began in 1994. During the twenty-two (22) years that the Club has been using the property, they used a bulldozer to cleared an area for a practice range and they have made numerous improvements to the property for the Club's use. They added a storage building, picnic tables, practice range, and electricity. All improvements and work have been done exclusively by the Club at the Club's expense. The Brazos County Archery Club has also installed video camera surveillance for the protection of everyone who uses the facilities.

The Brazos County Archery Club has proven to be good tenants, provide an excellent use for the property, provide security for the property, provide an activity available in the community, and do all at no expense to the City of Bryan.

The Brazos County Archery Club has grown to one of the largest archery clubs in Texas with 200 members. It ranks in size behind Paris (350 members), Dallas-Fort Worth (250 members), and Houston (250 members). They attribute their growth, in part, to the City's support over the many years the Club has been granted use of the old landfill site.

The Club's leadership team is excited and driven to keep the Brazos County Archery Club on it's current path of growth and expansion. The Club's shoots average 60-75 members. In 2015, the Club hosted the largest 3D archery state championship in the country with 332 participants. The 2015 Archery Shooters Association (ASA) state championship brought in about 350 registered shooters and their families for the weekend. In 2014 they hosted a benefit shoot for the four (4) Bryan firefighters (Mitch Moran, Ricky Mantey Jr., Greg Pickard, and Eric Wallace) and their families, raising $9,500.

The 4H and Junior Olympic Archery Development teams have relocated to the range so the Club may better assist them with their facilities, technical expertise, location, and coaching. They each practice every week at the range and are growing exponentially from these changes. The Club also is expanding into a new youth program, Scholastic 3D Archery (S3DA), which provides a platform for the youth to engage in lifelong archery activities.

Due to the City's support, the community has one of the best ranges and locations in the state and help other archery clubs succeed. Brazos County Archery Club has become the "go to" source for assistance and advice.

Staff Analysis & Recommendation *

The Archery Club provides a positive use for the site. The use of the site by the Club provides some level of security and helps keep out negative uses. A family activity is being offered, and there is no cost to the City of Bryan for this agreement. However, the City does not realize revenue from this lease agreement, and as long as the City continues to own this site, the City receives no tax revenue.

The Parks and Recreation staff recommends approval of the renewal of this lease agreement. This agreement represents a lease for a period of five (5) years with one subsequent renewal term of five (5) years under the same conditions for the use of the old Bryan Landfill located at the end of Louis Street. The Brazos County Archery Club has been an excellent tenant, has taken good care of the property, has improved the property, and helps keep undesirable uses from the property. The Club provides a family activity, and teaches proper safety and shooting techniques to all ages.

Options*

(In Suggested Order of Staff Preference)
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1. Approve the agreement
2. Approve the agreement with modifications, which may require City Council consideration at a future Council meeting and negotiations with the Brazos County Archery Club
3. Do not approve the agreement

Funding Source*

No funds are needed to approve the renewal.

Attachments

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Please detail attachments and note attachments available for viewing in City Secretary's Office:
1. Proposed agreement (Note: The Archery Club has signed the agreement. The signed agreement is in the City Secretary's Office.)

Dept. Head Signature

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Deputy City Manager Signature

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