



City of Emeryville

CALIFORNIA

MEMORANDUM

DATE: June 6, 2017

TO: Carolyn Lehr, City Manager

FROM: Pedro Jimenez, Community Services Director

SUBJECT: Resolution Of The City Council Of The City Of Emeryville Authorizing A Contribution Of \$16,867 To The Gilman Fields Joint Powers Authority For Turf Replacement Project FY2018 And Appropriating \$16,867 From The General Fund To Fund 5460-88900

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends the City Council of the City of Emeryville authorize the contribution of \$16,867 to the Gilman Fields Joint Power of Authority for turf replacement and appropriate \$16,867 from the general fund to fund 5460-88900.

BACKGROUND

In 2003, due to a shortage of playing fields, five East Bay cities, Albany, Berkeley, El Cerrito, Emeryville, and Richmond worked together to seek funding as a regional group to develop new sports fields. All five cities agreed to enter into a Joint Exercise of Powers Agreement (JPA) to develop, operate, and maintain the Gilman Street Playing Fields. On November 18, 2003 the City of Emeryville authorized the City Manager to sign the JPA.

In 2004 a second agreement among the cities was adopted to initiate planning, development and management of the sports fields and in 2006 the cities adopted a third agreement that enabled the City of Berkeley to enter into a 25-year lease with the East Bay Regional Park District to develop and manage the property. The agreement also committed each city to contribute \$15,000 per year for the 25-year term of the lease to cover replacement of capital improvements on the field including the synthetic turf, and to make up the difference in expenses not covered by revenues collected from user fees.

Since opening in 2008, the Gilman Sports Fields Complex has been a huge success, greatly expanding the opportunities for sports for youth and adults throughout the five JPA cities. The demand for the facility is constant, leading to fully scheduled fields throughout the year, and providing a capacity of over 365,160 player hours per year, rain or shine.

On May 15, 2017 the City received a Memo from the City of Berkeley, City Manager regarding the Gilman Fields Turf replacement project describing the four best options to replace the fields, along with costs and the pros and cons of each option and a recommendation of option 2b was forwarded.

FISCAL IMPACT

In order to procure the new field material, Berkeley needs a commitment from each JPA city by June 11, 2017. Using an allocation method based on population the City of Emeryville contribution would be \$16,867. Funds from the General Fund would need to be allocated to fund 5460-88900.

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**APPROVED AND FORWARDED TO THE
CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EMERYVILLE:**



Carolyn Lehr, City Manager

ATTACHMENTS

1. Memo to JPA Members