MEMORANDUM

TO: Park Advisory Commission

FROM: Colin Smith, Parks & Recreation Services Manager

DATE: June 20, 2017

SUBJECT: Resolution to Recommend Approval of a Lease with Ann Arbor Rowing

Club for use of Bandemer Park

This memorandum and resolution requests the Park Advisory Commission (PAC) recommend approval of a lease with the Ann Arbor Rowing Club (AARC) for use of portions of Bandemer Park.

The existing lease between the City and AARC for use of Bandemer Park is set to expire, after 15 years. This updated lease keeps many of the same conditions as the expiring lease, while clarifying and updating other parts of the lease to better reflect actual practice.

The AARC, a Michigan nonprofit organization, has the mission to provide and promote a safe, affordable and educational rowing experience for the residents of Ann Arbor and the surrounding area. The City supports such programming and wishes to continue the partnership and lease conditions.

The new lease is also for a period of 15 years. The longer lease term assists nonprofit organizations with fundraising should improvements to the site be desired. Agreements with LSNC and the Friends of the Ann Arbor Skatepark have similar durations.

Annual payments were arrived at per the terms of the expiring lease, that states rent shall be not less than \$5,100 annually plus ½ the percentage that the Consumer Price Index shall have increased over and above the CPI as of May 1, 2001.

Rental payments will be deposited in the Bandemer Fund for the purpose of improvements and maintenance at Bandemer Park and Argo Dam. 50% of payments shall be designated for Bandemer Park improvements and maintenance and 50% shall be for Argo Dam maintenance, over the life of the lease.

RESOLUTION TO RECOMMEND APPROVAL OF A LEASE WITH ANN ARBOR ROWING CLUB FOR USE OF BANDEMER PARK

Whereas, It is the desire of the City and the Ann Arbor Rowing Club to continue a lease arrangement for the use of Bandemer Park;

Whereas, the AARC has requested continued use of Bandemer Park;

Whereas, A lease agreement, which specifies responsibilities, obligations, rent, has been prepared by the City and reviewed by the AARC;

Whereas, The annual revenue is recognized in the Parks & Recreation Bandemer Fund, and

Whereas, The term of the agreement shall be fifteen years;

RESOLVED, That the Park Advisory Commission recommend City Council approve the Ann Arbor Rowing Club Lease for use of Bandemer Park.

