

MEMORANDUM

TO: Park Advisory Commission

FROM: Josh Landefeld, Parks & Recreation Services Deputy Manager
Colin Smith, Parks & Recreation Services Manager

DATE: April 18, 2017

SUBJECT: Resolution Recommending Approval of Fiscal Year 2018 Fee Adjustments for Parks & Recreation Services

Attached for your consideration and approval is a resolution authorizing fee adjustments for FY 2018. Each year, in conjunction with the preparation of the budget, Parks & Recreation Services review fees to determine if the costs of the services rendered are either covered by the fees or are appropriate in relation to comparative data.

Fee increases are proposed for Cobblestone Farm, Ann Arbor Senior Center, Mack and Fuller Pools, and general park use space rentals. A new fee has been added for boat lockers at Bandemer Park.

Mack Pool season passes last saw a fee increase in 2010 and since then the amount of available weekly pool time has increased by 35%. The Bridge class fee increases proposed for the Senior Center are the first since 2010 and are driven by a new required fee from the national ACBL organization for Bridge directors. Some of Cobblestone Farm fees were restructured in 2013 to better reflect the manner in which customers were renting and using the space, while others have not been adjusted since 2006. Fees proposed for Cobblestone Farm will continue to be affordable and relatively low compared to similar venues as the comparative data demonstrates. Park and Shelter rental fees have not increased since 2008 and will be updated to provide more accurate fee structures associated with actual usage. The fees from the boat locker will go into the Bandemer fund to help maintain/repair locker in the future.

Attached are the recommended fee change proposals and comparative fee data. Staff is recommending that PAC recommend approval of these fee changes.

RESOLUTION RECOMMENDING APPROVAL OF FISCAL YEAR 2016 FEE
ADJUSTMENTS FOR PARKS & RECREATION SERVICES

Whereas, All Service Units of the City review their fees each year as part of the budget process;

Whereas, Parks & Recreation Services establish fees for new programs as part of the budget process; and

Whereas, Parks & Recreation Services review existing fees annually as part of the budget process;

RESOLVED, That fees for Parks and Recreation Services be adjusted according to the attached schedules;

RESOLVED, That the attached fee schedules become effective according to the dates in the attached schedules; and

RESOLVED, That the Parks Advisory Commission recommends that the Mayor and City Council approve the proposed fees.