

REPORT OF GENERAL MANAGER

NO. 14-182

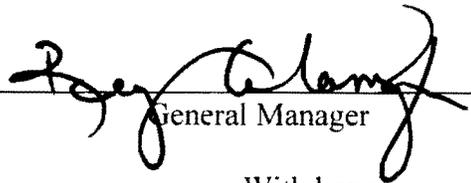
DATE: July 9, 2014

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BOARD OF RECREATION AND PARK COMMISSIONERS

SUBJECT: CHEVIOT HILLS RECREATION CENTER – DONATION OF FIELD IMPROVEMENTS FROM 20TH CENTURY FOX TELEVISION

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General Manager

Approved _____ Disapproved _____ Withdrawn _____

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Board accept a gift of field improvements valued at \$85,546.13, from 20th Century Fox Television (Fox TV), and that appropriate recognition be given to the donor.

SUMMARY:

Cheviot Hills Recreation Center (Center), located at 2551 Motor Avenue, has four (4) full-size baseball diamonds and a fifth, smaller diamond designated as Diamond #5 (Field). Several years ago, the four main diamonds at the Center were refurbished, including new fencing, but the Field was not part of this refurbishment.

In 2013, Fox TV, the television production division of 20th Century Fox Film Corporation and a production arm of the Fox Broadcasting Company, produced the sitcom, "Back in the Game," which was filmed at the Center. Prior to filming, Fox TV, with the prior approval of the Department's Planning, Construction, and Maintenance Branch, performed improvements on the Field including new perimeter chain link fencing, valued at \$50,914.13, and new turf sod, valued at \$34,632.00 (Improvements). The total value of the gift of Improvements is \$85,846.13.

The sitcom aired on the American Broadcasting Company (ABC) network from September 25, 2013 to December 25, 2013. After its twelfth episode, ABC pulled the series from its schedule. Fox TV wishes to gift the Improvements at the Center to the City.

Council District 5, the Assistant General Manager of Operations Branch, and the Superintendent of Valley/Shoreline Region, supports this donation and concur with staff's recommendation.

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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT:

The existing field currently requires minimal maintenance and will be absorbed by existing resources; therefore the acceptance of this donation results in no fiscal impact on the Department's General Fund. However, future maintenance and repair expenses may have an impact on the Department's General Fund and will be addressed in the Department's future budget.

This report was prepared by Robert De Hart, Recreation Supervisor, Municipal Sports Section.