
REQUESTED COUNCIL MEETING DATE: NOVEMBER 2, 2015

ITEM: COUNCIL BILL NO. 2015-534

ORIGINATING DEPARTMENT: FINANCE DEPARTMENT

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INTRODUCTION:

This Council Bill changes certain existing fees and makes various language changes for parks facilities and Schifferdecker Golf Course.

DISCUSSION:

The City recently completed the bi-annual user fee review, which was discussed with City Council at the budget work session on September 16, 2015. User fees are fees for services for specific users. User fees should recover most of the related cost of providing the service, so general taxes are not supporting services for specific users. Under Hancock provisions, the City is only allowed to recover the cost of providing the service.

The last major change to the parks fee ordinance was in 2008. As detailed in the bi-annual user fee review, certain user fees need to be increased to recover more of the costs associated with providing these services.

The proposed changes are as follows:

- Increase the Green Fee at Schifferdecker Golf Course from \$13.50 to \$15.00 and from \$16.50 on weekends to \$18.00.
- Change the tennis court fees from \$5.00 per court per hour to \$5.00 per day and from \$4.00 per court per hour for High School and College to \$4.00 per day.
- Remove the tennis lesson fee and the tennis league fee.
- Increase the college level baseball game fee from \$175.00 to \$200.00 per game.
- Remove the college and high school level baseball tournament fees and simply use the individual game fees.
- Increase the high school level baseball game fee from \$50.00 to \$75.00 per game.
- Add a cancellation fee of 25% for any baseball tournament cancelled within 10 days of the tournament date.
- Remove the soccer league fees.
- Increase the soccer tournament fee from \$25.00 to \$30.00 per match.

- Increase the adult softball program fee from \$34.50 to \$40.00 per game.
- Increase the softball practice fee from \$10.00 to \$15.00 without lights and from \$20.00 to \$25.00 with lights.
- Remove the additional \$15.00 for full field setup.
- Remove all basketball program fees.
- Increase the shelter facility rental fee from \$35.00 to \$40.00 per day.
- Increase the facility usage fee from \$10.00 to \$15.00 per hour.
- Increase the dog park registration fee from \$8.00 to \$10.00 for the first dog and from \$4.00 to \$5.00 for each additional dog.

The fee changes will be effective on January 1, 2016.

RECOMMENDATION:

City Staff recommends this Council Bill be approved on first reading.