



Administration

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Common Council Item Number: 15-2476	Date: 5/5/2015
Submitted By: Ron Grall, Director of Parks, Recreation & Forestry	City Administrator Approval: Kevin Lahner, City Administrator
Finance Department Review: Rich Abbott, Finance Director RA	City Attorney's Office Review: Brian Running, City Attorney BER

Subject:

Approve proposed farming lease agreements associated with Meadowview and Cardinal Ridge undeveloped park sites.

Details:

The Crop Leases pertain to the undeveloped park sites Meadowview (Meadowbrook & Northview Roads) and Cardinal Ridge (Approx. south of Hwy. 59 and adjacent to Milky Way Road). Location diagrams are attached to the respective lease agreement. This type of arrangement (Crop Leases) greatly aids in the general maintenance and care of the undeveloped sites as well as generating a level of revenue. Without such activity the burden of maintaining the undeveloped sites would fall considerably greater on the department. The agreement form and content was drafted last year by the City Attorney and has been reviewed/approved again by the City Attorney recently.

Options & Alternatives:

Not farm the land – General maintenance (tall grass, weed control, etc.) of the undeveloped sites would solely fall on the PRF Department to perform.

Financial Remarks:

Funds realized as indicated in the agreements (Meadowview \$2,232.00 & Cardinal Ridge \$978.00) will be applied to account 5520.48210 Rentals/Leases.

Executive Action:

Recommend approval of the Crop Leases as presented.

Committee Recommendation:

On 4/20/15, the Parks, Recreation & Forestry Board unanimously approved the Crop Leases associated with the Meadowview and Cardinal Ridge undeveloped park sites as presented.

