



Agenda Item Request Form

ITEM: Consideration to approve the Membership and Rental Fee Schedule for the Martin Luther King Jr. Community Center.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION: For the Commission's consideration, attached is the revised proposed fee schedule for the MLK Jr. Recreation Center Membership and Rental Fees. The new center includes a Fitness Center, gymnasium, STEM Lab, Teaching Kitchen, Arts & Crafts Studio, multipurpose rooms, and outdoor recreation areas.

Previously submitted to the Commission on December 16, 2025, the Commission approved to allow for free access to all areas of the MLK Jr. Recreation Center through the end of February, 2026 and instructed staff to engage the community further for its feedback on the recommended fees. A community town hall was held on January 7, 2026 with approximately 75 community members in attendance.

Many of the suggestions voiced by members of the community have been incorporated into the revised proposed fee schedule. The changes include:

- Military Membership to include active, veterans, retirees or reserves with proof of Military ID Card. Recommended for \$75 per year.
- Include a category for disabled persons. Recommended for \$75 per year
- Include any age student enrolled in high school for the Youth Membership at no cost.
- Reduce cost of full gym membership to be less than 2x that of the cost of a single court. Recommended at \$150 (previously \$250) per hour for the full gym, and \$100 per hour for 1 full court. This is the rate for a private rental for for-profit groups.
- Reconsider the cost for the full gymnasium for tournaments. Recommendation is to continue to research this item and bring back to the Commission at a later date.

Fees and Revenues will be used to help offset the costs of recurring maintenance in order to maintain the facility to high standard. Typical costs would include (not an all-inclusive list but shown to represent the typical reoccurring expenses of operating a community center):

- Striping and restaining of the basketball court - \$15,000 per occurrence
- Fitness Center equipment repairs and replacement - \$2,500 - \$5,000 annually after initial warranty periods.
- Playground, Surfacing and Outdoor Amenity Repairs - \$1,500 – 4,000 annually after initial warranty periods or for non-covered items.

- Recreation equipment replacement - basketballs, footballs, volleyballs, etc. - \$1,500 annually
- FFE repair and replacement - \$2,000-2,500 annually

As points of clarification:

- Memberships include use of the fitness center, open gym programs, reading and study rooms and general facility access.
- All outside facilities are open play and free to use.
- All youth up to high school age are at no cost.
- Visitors will not be charged to watch their child(ren) play in a recreation basketball game, practice or open gym program.

In addition, Recreation Center staff has developed a process for individuals or groups to propose activities or courses to be offered and for individuals to be involved as volunteers in programs or activities. This would include for background checks to be performed on selected individuals, groups or volunteers.

Proposed fees would be implemented to take effect March 1, 2026.

DEPARTMENT HEAD RECOMMENDATION: Staff recommends approval.

Budget Impact

Budgeted? Yes: No: How Much budgeted? N/A

If more, where do you suggest funds come from? N/A

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