

RESOLUTION NO. 2021-2163

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GOODYEAR, MARICOPA COUNTY, ARIZONA, ADOPTING AN AMENDMENT TO THE PARKS, RECREATION, TRAILS, AND OPEN SPACE MASTER PLAN OF JULY 2014.

WHEREAS, the mission of the City of Goodyear Parks and Recreation Department is “to enhance the quality of life for all through the stewardship of public land by sustaining exceptional park facilities and quality recreational programs and services;” and

WHEREAS, on July 14, 2014 City Council adopted Resolution 14-5286 which adopted the Parks, Recreation, Trails, and Open Space Master Plan of July 2014, (“Master Plan”); and

WHEREAS, the purpose of the Master Plan is to provide strategies and operational policies to best meet the needs of current and future residents; and

WHEREAS, the Master Plan was developed through a highly interactive process involving public forums, stakeholder meetings, surveys, site evaluations, benchmarks to like communities, meetings with the Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission as well as the General Plan Committee; and

WHEREAS; the proposed Amendment to the Parks, Recreation, Trails, and Open Space Master Plan achieves the following:

1. Encourages equitable access of parks and recreation facilities by exploring the acquisition of the 16 +/- acre site located at the southeast intersection of S. Wood Blvd. and W. Lower Buckeye Pkwy (north edge of the Goodyear Spring Training facilities) for the purpose of developing a special use park to include two ball fields and one ball field designed specifically for special need accommodations.
2. Development of this 16-acre site, immediately adjacent to the spring training facilities, allows Goodyear to capitalize on shared resources (operations, tournament planning, parking, maintenance, etc.). Using this parcel to co-locate similar facilities (ball fields) allows Goodyear to meet growing local demand as well as expand regional and national tournament facilitation opportunities. Development of this site also capitalizes on the identity of the area as a sports venue and leverages the existing development south and northeast of the site, which includes sports-oriented retail and dining uses.
3. Enhances equity by increasing the acres of park space and number of ball fields available to Goodyear residents.
4. Supports retail and restaurant related uses at the Goodyear Ballpark by increasing the potential size of the market taking advantage of these businesses.
5. Responds to recently approved and planned increases in densities around the ballpark area by providing additional recreation facilities thus increasing community enhancement.
6. Continues implementation of the adopted City of Goodyear General Plan (2025) and the Parks, Recreation, Trails, and Open Space Master Plan (2014).
7. Protects the Goodyear Airport from noise-sensitive development.

8. Buffers central Goodyear residents from future industrial development associated with the Goodyear Airport.

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the city of Goodyear, Arizona find that adoption of the amendment to Parks, Recreation, Trails, and Open Space Master Plan of July 2014 to be in the best interest of the city and the citizens of Goodyear.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GOODYEAR, MARICOPA COUNTY, ARIZONA, AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. ADOPTION OF AMENDMENT

The Amendment to “Parks, Recreation, Trails and Open Space Master Plan of July 2014” a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit A and incorporated herein by reference, is hereby adopted by City Council.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Mayor and Council of the city of Goodyear, Maricopa County, Arizona, this _____ day of _____, 20_____.

Georgia Lord, Mayor

Date: _____

ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Darcie McCracken, City Clerk

Roric Massey, City Attorney

STATE OF ARIZONA)
) ss.
County of Maricopa)

Given under my hand and sealed this _____ day of _____, 20____.

City Clerk

Exhibit 'A'

City of Goodyear
Parks, Recreation, Trails, & Open Space
Master Plan Amendment