

City of New Braunfels, Texas

Legislation Text

File #: 19-351, Version: 1

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SUBJECT:

Approval of the second and final reading of an ordinance amending the Code of Ordinances Section 86-97 Landa Park miniature golf and paddle boat fees.

BACKGROUND / RATIONALE:

The first reading of the ordinance passed unanimously on May 13.

Two unique paddle boats have been purchased to add to the fleet of boats at the Landa Park Boat House. These new boats include a swan and a dragon. Photo examples are attached. Due to the special nature of the two boats, staff believes a slight upcharge is warranted.

Fees for paddle boats and miniature golf are set by ordinance. Currently, paddle boats rent for \$3 per person for a 30-minute ride. Staff is proposing to rent the two new boats for \$5 per person for a 30-minute ride.

Also proposed, is the adoption of a new range of fees for both the paddle boats and miniature golf so that some flexibility can be provided without the need to revise ordinances for these negligible usage fees. Any changes would be considered on a yearly basis and sufficient notice to the public will be given prior to any changes. Paddle boats and mini-golf are not a "cost recovery" operation; that is, fees are not set to fully recover the City's cost of operations. Instead, fees are considered and set based on demand for the service and to provide an affordable family outdoor entertainment option.

Sec. 86-97. - Landa Park miniature golf and paddle boat fees.

The following schedule of fees shall be paid by patrons of Landa Park in the city for miniature golf and paddle boats. The city manager is hereby authorized to set appropriate fees in writing, not to exceed the following limits:

- (1) Patrons of the miniature golf course in Landa Park shall be charged a "per round" fee of not less than \$1.00 \$3.00 nor more than \$3.25 \$10.00 per person.
- (2) Patrons of Landa Park shall be charged for paddle boat rentals as follows:
 Not less than \$1.00 **\$3.00** nor more than \$3.25 **\$10.00** per person per one half-hour rental.

The first reading of the ordinance amendments were approved by City Council on May 13, 2019.

ADDRESSES A NEED/ISSUE IN A CITY PLAN OR COUNCIL PRIORITY:

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FISCAL IMPACT:

Since this will be a new service, revenue generation projections would be speculative. However, the paddle boat operation is budgeted to generate \$50,000 in FY 2018-19 and the addition of these two new features, and the associated fee increase, will have a positive impact on the revenue.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

N/A

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends approval of the ordinance regarding fees for paddle boats and miniature golf at Landa Park.