

INDIAN RIVER COUNTY, FLORIDA AGENDA ITEM Parks, Recreation & Conservation Department

Date:	January 11, 2024
To:	The Honorable Board of County Commissioners
Thru:	John A. Titkanich, Jr., County Administrator Michael C. Zito, Deputy County Administrator
From:	Beth Powell, Parks, Recreation & Conservation Director
Subject:	Notice of Proposed Parks, Recreation & Conservation Department Fee Schedule and Standard Operating Procedures Update

BACKGROUND:

With the advent of the newly formed Parks, Recreation and Conservation Department, the time has come to formally adopt fees and standard operating procedures for all facilities and programs under one departmental umbrella. The only Divisions with Board approved fees within the last 7 years are the Shooting Range, which was recently brought before the Board in December 2023; Parks, which received Board approval in 2017; and the Donald MacDonald Campground and Indian River County Fairgrounds Campground, which were brought to the Board in 2018. The Intergenerational Center has not updated the fee schedule since its grand opening in 2016. The last update to the Aquatics programs and facility rentals was in 2002. Fees to utilize the Athletic Fields, participate in Recreation Programs, and Athletic Leagues have not come before the Board for an updated fee schedule in over 20 years.

DESCRIPTION AND CONDITIONS:

The intent of the fee schedule revision is to adopt updated fees paid by users and user groups to help offset increases in actual program expenses. The mission is to provide recreational and quality of life services at a cost affordable to residents and visitors to Indian River County. The proposed fee schedules will be posted on the County's webpage, at each facility, and in Parks, Recreation & Conservation offices allowing the public an opportunity to review prior to consideration by the Board on February 20, 2024, with implementation effective March 15, 2024.

Accompanying standard operating procedures and policies will be presented to the Board for approval in order to provide structure and efficacy in the implementation of the fee schedule. The full listing of existing and proposed fees can be found in Exhibit A attached.

RECOMMENDATION:

There is no action required by the BCC at this time as this is being presented for informational purposes only in advance of formal adoption by the Board of County Commissioners.

ATTACHMENTS:

Proposed Parks, Recreation & Conservation Department Fee Schedule – drafted January 2024 APPROVED AGENDA ITEM FOR JANUARY 23, 2024