INDIAN RIVER COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

INTER-OFFICE MEMORANDUM

TO:

Members of the Board of County Commissioners

DATE:

November 8, 2016

SUBJECT:

No Net Loss Policy for Ballfields

FROM:

Tim Zorc

Commissioner, District 3

Discussion Item:

As has been discussed at other Board of County Commission meetings, there are times when ballfields are sold to private owners or closed down. I would like to propose an amendment to the Comprehensive Plan creating a "no net loss" policy for ball fields (i.e. a 1 to 1 replacement at County owned parks and recreational areas). Through the Comprehensive Plan, the Commission would provide that lost ball fields have to be established in new comparable sites within the County. The County may limit the areas where the new ballfields may be built, i.e. add fields to existing facilities. The "no net loss" policy will send a message that Indian River County is serious about the issue and the provision of recreational activities for its citizens.