



Elgin City Council Meeting Agenda Item Executive Summary

ITEM: A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF ELGIN, TEXAS AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE AN ELGIN PARK TERMS OF USE AGREEMENT WITH THE ELGIN FARMERS' MARKET; AND PROVIDING FOR RELATED MATTERS.

DEPARTMENT: Community Services

PROPOSED ACTION: Review and consider a use agreement with the Elgin Farmers' Market.

BACKGROUND:

The Elgin Farmer's Market is a recently formed group of local farmers who are reactivating the existing farmers market organization that was known as the River Valley Farmers Market and that ceased operations two years ago. The Elgin Farmers' Market has operated during the summer at the Depot Museum parking lot for Sip Shop & Stroll and has meet with good success, such that they would like to establish a weekly farmers market in the downtown area. The proposed lease agreement provides weekly use on Thursdays from 3pm to 9pm for the Elgin Farmers Market in the Depot Museum parking lot October through April and the Veterans Memorial Park May through September. Lease rates reflect the non-profit organization discount and would be \$25 per week for the parking lot and \$100 per week for Veterans Memorial Park. The lease requires liability insurance, minimum operating standards for the market, and reporting requirements. The Parks & Recreation Advisory Board reviewed the proposal to use Veterans Memorial park and approved that ongoing use. The Elgin Main Street Board reviewed the proposal and shared their strong support for having a farmers market downtown and for utilizing the Depot Museum parking lot during part of the year and Veterans Memorial Park during the summer months of the year.

BUDGET/FINANCIAL IMPACT:

Funding for this item was { } included { } not included in the current-year budget {X} N/A

RECOMMENDATION: APPROVE A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF ELGIN, TEXAS AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE AN ELGIN PARK TERMS OF USE AGREEMENT WITH THE ELGIN FARMERS' MARKET; AND PROVIDING FOR RELATED MATTERS.

ATTACHMENTS:

- { } Staff will be making a detailed presentation on this agenda item at the meeting.
- {X} Staff will provide brief comments and answer questions on this item at the meeting.
- { } This is a routine procedural item and no presentation is planned for the meeting.

Councilmembers who have any detailed questions or would like to request additional information regarding this item are encouraged to contact the City Manager at their earliest convenience.