

MEMORANDUM

To: City of Seguin Mayor and Council
Steve Parker, City Manager

From: Jack Jones, Director of Parks & Recreation

Through: Rick Cortes, Deputy City Manager

Subject: Resolution of the City Council of the City of Seguin, Texas authorizing the City Manager to execute a Facility Use Agreement between the City of Seguin and River Monsters Baseball LLC for use of “Smokey” Joe Williams Field for the Seguin River Monsters summer 2024 Texas Collegiate League baseball season; and declaring an effective date.

Date: March 19, 2024

Attached is a draft of the agreement between the City of Seguin and River Monsters Baseball LLC for the use of “Smokey” Joe Williams Field located at 637 Midway in the Seguin Events Complex. As proposed, the Seguin River Monsters will play 24 of their Texas Collegiate League (TCL) home games at “Smokey” Joe Williams Field similar to the past two summers. The Texas Collegiate League is the premier summer collegiate league in the southwest USA. Last year, the River Monsters won the league.

For the past two years, the City approved three-month Facility Use Agreements with Mike Gigliotti who owned the Seguin River Monsters at the time. Last fall, the River Monsters were sold to Tommy and Kristin Stephens. Mr. Gigliotti is still involved in the planning for the upcoming 2024 River Monsters season.

The Stephens’ have expressed strong interest in a long-term Facility Use Agreement with the City, but that will take time to go through the public process for consideration. As such, City staff proposes another three-month Facility Use Agreement that is similar to the previous two agreements with Mr. Gigliotti.

Highlights of River Monsters’ responsibilities in the Agreement include:

- Operate, maintain, and clean the concession area.

- Maintaining a clean park and clean restrooms during and after each game/use. This includes adding paper products when needed and picking up trash and securing it in trashcans provided. Restrooms should be cleaned and stocked after each game/use.
- Haul trash collected onsite to City dumpsters located nearby at the conclusion of each game/use.
- Repair holes dug, hand-water, rake, and cover home plate and pitcher's mound areas at the conclusion of each game/use.
- Drag and chalk/stripe/paint the fields for each game/use.
- Provide a minimum of one (1) licensed Peace Officer for security purposes scheduled through the Seguin Police Department if alcohol is allowed to be brought onto and/or sold on City property.

At their meeting on March 4, 2024, the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board unanimously recommended approval for City Council consideration a Facility Use Agreement between the City of Seguin and River Monsters Baseball LLC for use of "Smokey" Joe Williams Field for the Seguin River Monsters summer 2024 Texas Collegiate League baseball season.

City staff recommends approval of a Resolution of the City Council of the City of Seguin, Texas authorizing the City Manager to execute a Facility Use Agreement between the City of Seguin and River Monsters Baseball LLC for use of "Smokey" Joe Williams Field for the Seguin River Monsters summer 2024 Texas Collegiate League baseball season; and declaring an effective date.