

# Memorandum



DATE October 1, 2020

CITY OF DALLAS

TO President Collins and Members of the Park and Recreation Board

SUBJECT **Reverchon Park Ballfield**

As you remember on January 8, 2020, the City Council approved an agreement with Reverchon Park Sports and Entertainment LLC (RPSE) to redevelop and manage the Reverchon Park ballfield on behalf of the Park and Recreation Department. Staff and representatives from RPSE worked to negotiate the final contract over the past several months. Unfortunately, due to extreme disruptions in the professional sports and financial industries caused by the COVID pandemic, the contract was not able to be successfully executed.

On August 31, 2020, the Park and Recreation Department notified RPSE that all required documentation along with the signed contract must be submitted by September 30, 2020. That deadline has now passed. Therefore, staff has ceased negotiations. As an immediate next step, it will be necessary to rescind this RFP award. Staff will prepare an agenda item for Park and Recreation Board consideration on October 15<sup>th</sup> and City Council at a future meeting. We plan to continue to explore options to renovate the ballfield and enhance the park to meet the expectations of the community that were identified through this process.

Please let me know if you have any questions or need any additional information.

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