



CITY OF ALBION CITY COUNCIL STUDY SESSION MEETING AGENDA

Meetings: First and Third Mondays - 7:00 p.m.

City Council Chambers ♦ Second Floor ♦ 112 West Cass Street ♦ Albion, MI 49224

Dave Atchison: Mayor, Vicky Clark: Council Member 1st Precinct, Lenn Reid Council Member 2nd Precinct, Al Smith: Council Member 3rd Precinct, Marcola Lawler: Council Member 4th Precinct, Jeanette Spicer: Council Member 5th Precinct, Shane Williamson: Mayor Pro Tempore Council Member 6th Precinct, Darwin McClary: City Manager, Harkness Law Firm: Atty Cullen Harkness, Jill Domingo: City Clerk

AGENDA

COUNCIL MEETING
Friday, May 29, 2020
6:00 PM

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I. CALL TO ORDER

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

III. ROLL CALL

IV. ITEMS FOR INDIVIDUAL DISCUSSION

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- A. Discuss the Recreation Programing "Partnership" between the City of Albion Recreation Dept, the Kids N Stuff Museum and the Battle Creek YMCA
[2020-05-18 Albion Summer Recreation Camp Program Summary](#)
[2020-05-18 Resolution Approving City's Contribution for the 2020 Albion Summer Recreation Camp Program](#)

V. MAYOR AND COUNCIL MEMBER COMMENTS

VI. PUBLIC COMMENTS

(Persons addressing the City Council shall limit their comments to no more than three (3) minutes. Proper decorum is required.)

VII. CITY MANAGER REPORT

VIII. ADJOURN

ALBION SUMMER RECREATION CAMP

Total Program Cost--\$40,080

City of Albion Recreation contractual funding request--\$20,000 (covers cost of scholarships for all children enrolled in program)

In an effort to expand options for families returning to work in phases during this global health crisis, the YMCA is proposing weekly summer camps for children ages 3-12. The YMCA would be partnering with Kids N' Stuff Children's Museum, City of Albion Recreation, and other partners to provide these camps free of charge to all children in the Albion area.

Below is a list of facts related to the camps. In addition to working with our current partners, the YMCA is seeking additional partners in the Albion community to help enhance the camps and further expand activities.

- Includes 8 weeks of camp from June 1-July 31
- Camp runs 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.
- Curriculum includes physical activity, kid's yoga, free play, arts and crafts, learning time (can be expanded when/if governor's orders allow)
- All medical protocols per MI child licensing and CDC followed—masks available for campers for free upon parental request, all staff wear face masks
- Capacity for 30+ children ages 3-12
- Onsite at Kid's 'N' Stuff Museum with breakfast/lunch provided by Chartwells

The YMCA carries all appropriate insurances and liability coverage to proceed with these camps.

Background

Because the YMCA has been providing this type of care since the beginning of the Covid-19 crisis, they have been able to continue this work throughout the various iterations of the Governor's orders. The YMCA is one of the few organizations that have been able to remain operational in this capacity during this time. In addition to providing care, the YMCA has been providing meals, baby supplies, and hygiene products to those who they serve in Battle Creek.



Council Action Summary Sheet

Agenda Item #:	
Agenda Item Title:	<i>REQUEST TO ADOPT RESOLUTION APPROVING CITY CONTRIBUTION TO ALBION SUMMER RECREATION CAMP</i>
Meeting Date:	May 18, 2020
Submitted by:	Darwin McClary, City Manager
Contact Information:	(517) 629-7172; dmcclary@cityofalbionmi.gov
Agenda Item Approvals:	<input type="checkbox"/> City Clerk <input type="checkbox"/> Finance Director/Treasurer <input type="checkbox"/> City Attorney <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 4 City Manager

Background Brief:

City council is being requested to adopt a resolution to approve a contribution from the city in the amount of \$20,000 for the 2020 Albion Summer Recreation Camp. The summer camp would run from June 1 through July 31 and would be a partnership between the City of Albion Recreation Department, Battle Creek YMCA, and Kids 'N Stuff Children's Museum. This project provides valuable assistance to families in need of childcare during the COVID-19 public health emergency and would support city council's goals and priorities by expanding recreational opportunities within the city.

Attached is a complete summary of the program. Mayor Pro-Tem Williamson requested that this item be added to the agenda for city council's May 18, 2020, meeting.

Alternatives Analysis:

Take no action. If the city council opts to take no action on this request, a pressing need for affordable childcare for critical infrastructure, essential basic business operations workers, and restored activities workers will continue to exist. Also, the need for expanded recreational opportunities within the city, as identified by city council would continue to be unmet.

Approve funding for the Albion Summer Recreation Camp. If the city council opts to approve the requested funding for the summer camp, Albion's families would be provided with little or no-cost child care during the COVID-19 public health emergency. Also, the city council would be addressing the goal and priority it set for the City Manager to expand recreational opportunities within the city.

Summary of Previous Council Action:

None



Financial Impact:

The total cost of the summer camp program is \$40,080. If funding is approved, the city's share of the cost would be \$20,000. An amendment to the FY 2020 Budget would be necessary to appropriate monies from the Recreation Fund reserves to cover this cost. The City Manager recommends that these costs be programmed into the normal operating budget of the Recreation Department in future fiscal years if the city council wishes to continue the program beyond FY 2020.

Recommended Motion:

To adopt Resolution #2020-__ that reads as follows: (SEE ATTACHED):

Attachments:

Resolution #2020-__ - Approval of 2020 Albion Summer Recreation Camp



CITY OF ALBION
COUNTY OF CALHOUN
STATE OF MICHIGAN

CITY COUNCIL RESOLUTION #2020-__

A RESOLUTION TO AMEND THE FY 2020 BUDGET AND TO AUTHORIZE THE EXECUTION OF A PUBLIC SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH BATTLE CREEK YMCA AND KIDS ‘N’ STUFF MUSEUM TO PROVIDE FOR THE 2020 ALBION SUMMER RECREATION CAMP PROGRAM.

WHEREAS, on December 2, 2019, the Albion city council adopted FY 2020 goals and strategies for the City Manager; and

WHEREAS, Goal #2 – PROMOTE EFFICIENT AND EFFECTIVE MUNICIPAL OPERATIONS includes a strategy to “Prepare and present to city council a plan for a vibrant, improved summer recreation program for implementation by May 2020”; and

WHEREAS, the city, state, and nation are currently facing a serious virus pandemic, COVID-19, that has put an end to many recreational programs and opportunities but still permits childcare activities for families whose parents must continue to work as critical infrastructure, essential basic business operations, and restored activities workers under the Michigan Governor’s executive orders; and

WHEREAS, the city council determines that providing low or no cost childcare services and quality recreational opportunities for children are legitimate public purposes; and

WHEREAS, the city is presented with the opportunity to engage in a collaborative and beneficial partnership with the Battle Creek YMCA and Kids ‘N’ Stuff Children’s Museum to provide these childcare and children’s recreational services, with the city to contribution \$20,000 of the total \$40,080 cost;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Albion city council does hereby declare childcare services for families whose parents must continue to work during the COVID-19 public health emergency and quality recreational services for children to be a legitimate public purpose; does hereby approve a FY 2020 Budget amendment to allocate \$20,000 from the Recreation Fund reserves to the appropriate activity account to provide for these services; and authorizes the Mayor and City Clerk to execute a collaborative public services agreement with Battle Creek YMCA and Kids ‘N’ Stuff Museum to provide these services after review and approval of the agreement by the City Manager and City Attorney.

CERTIFICATION

I, Jill Domingo, City Clerk for the City of Albion, County of Calhoun, State of Michigan, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of a resolution duly adopted by the City Council of the City of Albion during its regular meeting held on _____, 20__.

Jill Domingo
City Clerk