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City Council Meeting

Meeting Date: 12/08/2015

Time: 60 Minutes

Submitted Shane Hope, Director

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For:

Department: Development Services

Type: Potential Action

Information

Subject Title

Public Hearing* and Potential Action on Ordinance Banning Installation of Crumb Rubber on Publicly Owned Athletic Fields within City Limits for One Year

*Public comments will be limited to 2-minutes per person

Recommendation

Previous Council Action

On December 1, 2015, the City Council discussed options for addressing future crumb rubber uses and directed the City Attorney to prepare an ordinance for a one-year ban.

Narrative

Over this last year, the City Council has received input and information from a variety of citizens and other entities about the safety of turf products containing crumb rubber infill and about options for other types of sports field surfaces. Opinions have been expressed on many aspects of this subject.

After further discussion at meetings on November 10 and December 1, the City Council directed the City Attorney to prepare an ordinance to ban crumb rubber material from being installed at publicly-owned playfields. Such fields include not only the City's fields but those of other public entities, notably the Edmonds School District. During the period the ban is in place, the City would gather, organize, and review scientific studies and any other relevant analysis regarding the health and environmental risks association with crumb rubber. (See attached draft Ordinance.)

As proposed, the crumb rubber ban would last for one year while additional analysis is conducted; the ban could be extended, changed, or lifted, prior to its expiration. The ban would not affect the existing use of crumb rubber in sports fields.

At the public hearing, testimony will be received. After the hearing closes, the City Council may take action on the proposed Ordinance. Action could include revising some part of the Ordinance

and/or voting to adopt it.

Fiscal Impact

Attachments

Draft Ordinance

Form Review

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