



# City of San Antonio

## Agenda Memorandum

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**In Control:** City Council A Session

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**DEPARTMENT:** Public Works Department

**DEPARTMENT HEAD:** Razi Hosseini

**COUNCIL DISTRICTS IMPACTED:** District 1

**SUBJECT:**

Interlocal Agreement: Perimeter Fence Upgrades at the Old Spanish Trails Walking Park and Sports Fields

**SUMMARY:**

An ordinance approving the execution of an Interlocal Agreement between the City of San Antonio and Bexar County to accept funds in the amount of \$170,000.00 from Bexar County for perimeter fencing upgrades at the Old Spanish Trails Walking Park and Sports Fields located in Council District 1; and authorizing the appropriation of these funds from Bexar County to the Old Spanish Trails Park project.

**BACKGROUND INFORMATION:**

On May 6, 2017, voters approved the 2017-2022 General Obligation Bond Program of which \$3,075,000 was allocated for the Old Spanish Trails Walking Park to transform a pair of stormwater basins of the Laddie III Stormwater Facility Development into 10 acres of sports and recreation fields while continuing to provide the stormwater drainage needed for the area. On February 21, 2019, City Council approved the construction of new sports fields through Ordinance 2019-02-21-0135 for the Old Spanish Trails Walking Park Project. The project included sports recreation fields, security lighting, electrical service, irrigation system and sports equipment

needed to operate a competitive program for youth in San Antonio. The project was completed in December 2019.

The Urban Champions Academy (UCA) is an organization that provides academic and athletic development, leadership and service programming for urban families and underserved youths through soccer experience. UCA players, families, and other soccer organizations frequently use the Old Spanish Trails Walking Park sports fields. Given the success of the UCA program and the heavy use of the park and sports fields, more fencing is required on the perimeter to better secure the athletes, their families, staff, officials, and the facility. The fields are located approximately five feet below street level and the existing perimeter fencing is positioned at street level. Upgrades to the existing perimeter fencing is necessary to provide the added security the program requires. The City will utilize funds from Bexar County authorized through this Interlocal Agreement to upgrade the perimeter fencing at the Old Spanish Trail Walking Park and Sports Fields.

**ISSUE:**

This ordinance approves the execution of an Interlocal Agreement between the City of San Antonio and Bexar County to accept funds in the amount of \$170,000.00 from Bexar County for perimeter fencing upgrades at the Old Spanish Trails Walking Park and Sports Fields located in Council District 1; and authorizes the appropriation of these funds from Bexar County to the Old Spanish Trails Park project.

The City will utilize the funds from Bexar County authorized through this Interlocal Agreement to upgrade the perimeter fencing at the Old Spanish Trail Walking Park and Sports Fields. The funding will be used to provide for the installation of new fencing and other upgraded enhancements to reinforce existing sections of fencing around the perimeter of the sports fields. Project construction is anticipated to begin in October 2022 and is estimated to be completed by February 2023.

**ALTERNATIVES:**

City Council could not to approve this agreement; however, this could affect the UCA program's ability to secure and host activities without the additional security that the new fencing will provide within the Old Spanish Trails Walking Park and Sports Facilities.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

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**RECOMMENDATION:**

Staff recommends approval of an Interlocal Agreement between the City of San Antonio and Bexar County to accept funds in the amount of \$170,000.00 from Bexar County for perimeter fencing upgrades at the Old Spanish Trails Walking Park and Sports Fields located in Council District 1; and authorizes the appropriation of these funds from Bexar County to the Old Spanish Trails Park project.