



City Manager's Report
April 23, 2019 City Council Meeting
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Item#: 12.4

Subject: Authorize the installation of a Baseball Batting Cage by Placerville Rotary Club at Rotary Park.

Purpose: To consider a request by Placerville Rotary Club to install a Baseball Batting Cage at Rotary Park for use by the Little League Program.

Background: In March, staff was contacted by a neighbor at Rotary Park, concerned with construction activity that was occurring. Staff responded and found that the Placerville Rotary Club had begun work to install a batting cage beyond the outfield fence for use by Little League Teams. Staff informed Rotary that it was necessary to obtain permission from the City and that perhaps a building permit would be required. Rotary stopped work and made the request to the City.

Normally this item would go first to the Recreation and Parks Commission and then to the City Council. The Recreation and Parks Commission cancelled their April Meeting due to Spring Break. Therefore the earliest the commission could consider the item would be May 15th at their regular meeting. Rotary was concerned with this as they wanted to make the facility available for the current baseball season. Staff agreed to bring this item directly to the Council for consideration

Discussion: The attached drawing and pictures show the batting cage with dimensions and the requested location. Staff has reviewed the location and does not have any major concerns. As shown in the attached pictures, a path will lead from the fields to the proposed batting cage. It is also necessary to remove some smaller vegetation as is shown in the pictures.

Rotary will be responsible for maintenance and upkeep of the batting cage and the pathway leading to the cage. Therefore staff does not anticipate major increased work as a result of the installation of the batting cage. A permit will be required for the installation. If approved, staff will work with the Rotary Club to obtain a building permit.

Options:

1. Authorize the installation of a Batting Cage at Rotary Park.
2. Set certain condition to the installation and approve.
3. Do not approve the batting cage and require restoration of the areas that have been disturbed.

Cost: All cost to install and maintain the facility will be the responsibility of Rotary Club.

Budget Impact: None.

Recommendation: Authorize the installation of a Baseball Batting Cage by Placerville Rotary Club at Rotary Park.



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Attachments:

- 1. Batting Cage Drawing and Pictures*