



City Council Agenda Item Request

Date of Request: May 15, 2018

Name of Requester: Council Member Tisha S. Waddell

Agenda Item Title: Consideration of Cover for Westover Rec Pool

What do you want to accomplish with this item?

My request is that Council reaches a consensus to direct our Staff to look into creating a public/private partnership with FAST Swim team to cover one of our recreation pools. (My thought is that WestoverRec is probably best suited but Staff should confirm.) FAST Swim team has been colocated in FSU for some time. FSU has opted not to renew their agreement with FAST Swim Team. Currently there are not any other private pools in the City of Fayetteville equipped to handle the needs of the team. FAST has requested that a cover be considered for one of the pools in order to provide a year round training space for the team. Coach Roverato has indicated he will pay the cost of the cover.

How does this item connect to the City's Strategic Plan?

Corresponds to: Goal IV - Objective A, Goal VI - Objectives B and C

Comments:

FAST currently competes nationally and has swimmers who are ranked among the top tier. Scholarship dollars are tied to competitive swimming and FAST has helped a number of students receive scholarships due to their participation. FAST also offers swimming lessons and summer programs. A partnership with FAST could prove to be not only impactful for our city and its residents but could also, if handled properly, create a revenue stream for the City of Fayetteville to help offset some of the programming costs at rec centers.