

**CITY COUNCIL
COMMUNICATION:**

ITEM _____

**OFFICE OF THE CITY MANAGER
CITY OF DES MOINES, IOWA**

99-425

SYNOPSIS -

AGENDA:

SEPTEMBER 27, 1999

Approval to set the public hearing date for October 4, 1999, to lease the former Naomi Wright Day Care Center to the Southeast Boxing Club.

SUBJECT:

PUBLIC HEARING
DATE FOR LEASE
OF THE FORMER
NAOMI WRIGHT
DAY CARE CENTER
TO THE SOUTHEAST
BOXING CLUB

FISCAL IMPACT -

One dollar per year plus consideration for reduction in staff hours for supervision, utilities, maintenance, and added presence in Chesterfield Park.

TYPE:

RECOMMENDATION -

Approve setting the public hearing for October 4, 1999, to lease the former Naomi Wright Day Care Center to the Southeast Boxing Club.

RESOLUTION
ORDINANCE
RECEIVE/FILE

BACKGROUND -

On April 9, 1999, the Park and Recreation Department received a request from the Southeast Des Moines Boxing Club to lease the former Naomi Wright Day Care Center located in Chesterfield Park. The request was forwarded to the Park and Recreation Board for consideration at its April 27, 1999, Board meeting. The Park and Recreation Board received and filed the letter of request and directed staff to research their request.

SUBMITTED BY:

DONALD TRIPP
PARK AND
RECREATION
DIRECTOR

Park and Recreation and Legal Department staff have been working together on a lease agreement. Since 1996, the Southeast Des Moines Boxing Club has been using the upper level of the Southeast Community Center (SECC). The current space is inadequate for the growth of this club and physical condition of this portion of the building will require significant improvements for continued use. This lease offers the

following benefits equal to or greater than the appraised value of the leased space at \$350 per month to the City:

- Elimination of staff hours for supervision at SECC.
- Security presence in Chesterfield Park of ongoing activity.
- Programming capabilities of Club to provide continued service to residents of Des Moines.
- Reduction of utility and maintenance expenses to the City.
- Custodial maintenance of Chesterfield Park once per week.

The Southeast Des Moines Boxing Club is a volunteer organization with a six-member board headed by Morrie Bryant. Their mission is to provide structure, education, support, and a productive outlet for young men and women through boxing instruction and competition.