

	<h1 style="text-align: center;">Council Communication</h1> <p style="text-align: center;">Office of the City Manager</p>	<b>Date</b>	April 23, 2007
		<b>Agenda Item No.</b> 41 <b>Roll Call No.</b> <u>07-</u> <b>Communication No.</b> <u>07-228</u> <b>Submitted by:</b> Donald M. Tripp, Park and Recreation Director	

**AGENDA HEADING:**

Approving lease of farmland in vicinity of SE 22<sup>nd</sup> Street and Harford Avenue to Dennis Streyffeler and Vince Overton.

**SYNOPSIS:**

Recommend approval of a cash farm lease with Dennis Streyffeler and Vince Overton for approximately 152 acres (approximately 94 tillable) north of Cownie Soccer Park. A new farm lease has been prepared commencing on April 1, 2007, for a term of two years with an option of leasing an additional two years. The Park and Recreation Department does not have an immediate need to expand the soccer complex onto the lease area and recommends continuing to lease the property for agricultural purposes.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

Amount: \$ 12,384.50 (\$6,192.25 bi-annually) in revenue

Funding Source: Proceeds will be use to help offset operating costs for the Cownie Soccer Park. Revenues will be deposited into Park and Recreation Department, Athletics and Sports Tourism, GE001, PKS100400, page 146 in the Fiscal Year 2006-07 Operating Budget.

**ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:**

On June 3, 2002, by Roll Call No. 02-1399, the City Council approved a seasonal farm lease whereby the city leased to Mike Christenson approximately 152 acres, 94 of which are tillable, located in the vicinity of SE 22<sup>nd</sup> Street and Hartford Avenue, south of Cownie Soccer Park. Mr. Christenson, whose lease expired under an extension on November 30, 2004, was a holdover tenant on the farmland until August 31, 2006 when he was notified that the City intended to solicit bids for the lease of the farmland for the 2007 growing season.

On March 19, 2007 at 10:30 AM, three bids were opened regarding a two year lease agreement for the farmland located north of the Cownie Soccer Park Bids were received from Mike Christenson, Joe Dunn, and a joint bid between Dennis Streyffeler and Vince Overton. Streyffeler and Overton were deemed to be the high bid and were awarded the bid for the 2007 and 2008 growing seasons.

**PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION(S):**

Date: June 3, 2002

Roll Call Number: 02-1399

Action: Farm Lease Agreement with Mike Christenson for city-owned property located in the vicinity of 22nd Street and Hartford Avenue for a period not to exceed three years. ([Council Communication No. 02-290](#)). Moved by Hensley to adopt. Motion Carried 7-0.

**BOARD AND COMMISSION ACTION(S): NONE**

**ANTICIPATED ACTIONS AND FUTURE COMMITMENTS: NONE**