



# City and Borough of Sitka

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## MEMORANDUM

**To:** Mayor Paxton and Assembly Members

**From:** James Poulson, Chair of the Parks and Recreation Committee

**Date:** 5/4/2020

**Subject:** Updated Athletic Field Use Policy and Guidelines

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Organized recreational activities, such as sport clubs and leagues, must submit an Athletic Field Use Permit Application to reserve a CBS field for regular use. There is a field use policy that establishes guidelines for organized team or group use of CBS athletic fields.

The updated field use policy was drafted by a Parks and Recreation Subcommittee which included members of field user groups. What started out as contentious item on our meeting agenda, with something like 50 cross-armed people ready to take sides, ended up being resolved in a civilized manner by the subcommittee. The updated policy differs in that there is a volunteer group that will work out schedules. There is no increased staff time for this updated policy.

The subcommittee met over a ten-month period, incorporated staff comments, and received unanimous approval of the policy as written from the Parks and Recreation Committee on April 14.

### Recommendation

Approve the updated Athletic Field Use Policy and Guidelines