



## REPORT/RECOMMENDATION

<b>To:</b>	EDINA CITY COUNCIL	<b>Agenda Item:</b> <u>Item No. IV.F.</u>
<b>From:</b>	John Keprios, Director  Park and Recreation Department	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Action <input type="checkbox"/> Discussion <input type="checkbox"/> Information
<b>Date:</b>	September 19, 2012	
<b>Subject:</b>	Resolution No. 2012-112 Authorizing Grant Applications – Hennepin Youth Sports Program & Execution Of Final Agreements With Hennepin County For The Garden Park Baseball Field Project	

**ACTION REQUESTED:**

Approve Resolution No. 2012 - ?, which is an authorization to file a Hennepin Youth Sports Program Grant application and agreements required with Hennepin County to request a \$282,660.00 grant to renovate and make improvements to the Garden Park baseball field.

**INFORMATION/BACKGROUND:**

The Hennepin Youth Sports Program makes grants to local government units to improve youth sports or recreation. Legislation authorizing the building of Target Field allows Hennepin County to grant over \$2 million dollars each year to Hennepin County communities to accomplish this.

The Hennepin Youth Sports Program has separate applications for grants for facilities and grants for capital equipment. The facility grants allow municipalities, park districts and school districts to create, expand or improve athletic or recreational facilities. The capital equipment grants are for improving playability, sustaining sports facilities and promoting stronger relationships between local government units and youth sports organizations. The Minnesota Amateur Sports Commission is contracted to serve as the grant administrator for the Hennepin Youth Sports Program. The Hennepin County Board of Commissioners makes the grant award determinations. \$2 million will be awarded for facility grants in November of 2012 in amounts ranging from \$10,000 to \$325,000 for this cycle. The deadline for local government units to apply for this grant is October 5, 2012. The City of Edina was awarded a \$60,000 grant in 2010 from this

program that funded the replacement of the hockey rink boards and lights at Walnut Ridge Park and Pamela Park.

Staff is proposing a request for a \$282,660.00 grant from the Hennepin Youth Sports Program to help fund the proposed Garden Park baseball field renovation and improvement project.

The Garden Park baseball field currently has very poor drainage which results in standing water and wet field conditions long after each rainfall. The following is a list of improvements proposed by the Edina Baseball Association.

- Excavate and renovate the infield and outfield areas, plant new grass seed and install a new irrigation system.
- Construct two new chain link batting cages (15' X 75' and 12' in height).
- Reconstruct and heighten backstop to 20' in height in black vinyl chain link fence.
- Remove and replace sideline and outfield fencing with black vinyl fence.
- Construct dugouts (two – 10' X 40') and include a 12' X 10' storage room at the end of the 3<sup>rd</sup> base dugout and include a 10' X 12' concessions/storage room at the end of the 1<sup>st</sup> base dugout.
- Install a new wireless electronic scoreboard and new flag pole.
- Provide a 5-row portable bleacher to accommodate 90 spectators.

Anderson/Johnson Associates has provided a benchmark estimate of total construction costs at \$361,000. A copy of AJA's estimates and site plan are attached. Architect and engineering costs are estimated at \$21,660 which brings the total project costs to \$382,660. The Edina Baseball Association is proposing to donate \$100,000 towards this project which is why staff is recommending a grant request for the balance of \$282,660. If AJA's benchmark construction estimates are found to be slightly low, the project could be value engineered and reduced in scope with deduct alternates that would delay construction of certain additional amenities that could be easy added in the future (scoreboard, batting cages and flag pole).

A letter and site plan is being mailed to all property owners within 1,000 feet of Garden Park informing them of this proposal and the process. A copy of that letter is attached. The plan is to inform neighbors that the matter will be placed on the October 9, 2012 Park Board meeting for discussion.

The grant application process requires a Resolution to be approved by the City Council. A copy of the Resolution is attached. Staff recommends the Council approve Resolution 2012- #?

**ATTACHMENTS:**

- Resolution 2012 - 112
- August 31, 2012 Letter from AJA and Site Plan
- Letter to Residents of Garden Park Neighborhood

**RESOLUTION NO. 2012- 112  
AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF EDINA  
TO FILE A HENNEPIN YOUTH SPORTS PROGRAM GRANT APPLICATION AND  
EXECUTION OF FINAL AGREEMENTS WITH HENNEPIN COUNTY  
FOR THE GARDEN PARK BASEBALL FIELD PROJECT**

WHEREAS, Hennepin County, via the Hennepin Youth Sports Program, provides for capital funds to assist local government units of Hennepin County for the development of sport or recreation facilities, and

WHEREAS, the City of Edina desires to implement the proposed Garden Park Baseball Field Project (Hereinafter PROJECT) for the purpose of creating a safer and more playable athletic field surface and overall improved recreational experience by improving the grading, drainage, replacing the worn irrigation system and planting improved natural grass turf on the playing field, adding baseball dugouts, storage and concessions, replacing worn chain link fencing, adding two batting cages, adding an electronic scoreboard, flag pole and portable bleacher seating for 90 spectators.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE City Council of the City of Edina:

- I. The estimate of the total cost of developing PROJECT shall be \$382,660.00 and the City of Edina is requesting \$282,660.00 from the Hennepin Youth Sports Program and will assume responsibility for a match requirement of \$100,000.00.
- II. The City of Edina agrees to own, assume one hundred (100) percent of operation costs for PROJECT, and will operate PROJECT for its intended purpose for the functional life of the facility, which is estimated to be 50 years.
- III. The City of Edina agrees to enter into necessary and required agreements with Hennepin County for the specific purpose of developing a sport or recreational facility and long-term program direction.
- IV. That Parks and Recreation Director John Keprios is authorized and directed to execute said application and serve as official liaison with Hennepin County or its authorized representative.

Passed and adopted this 19th day of September 2012.

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
Debra A. Mangen, City Clerk

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James B. Hovland, Mayor

STATE OF MINNESOTA)  
COUNTY OF HENNEPIN)SS  
CITY OF EDINA )

**CERTIFICATE OF CITY CLERK**

I, the undersigned duly appointed and acting City Clerk for the City of Edina do hereby certify that the attached and foregoing Resolution was duly adopted by the Edina City Council at its Regular Meeting of September 19, 2012, and as recorded in the Minutes of said Regular Meeting.

WITNESS my hand and seal of said City this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_.

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City Clerk

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August 31, 2012

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Parks & Recreation Department  
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Edina, MN 55424

RE: Professional Services - Site Planning, Landscape Architecture and Civil Engineering  
**Renovation of Existing Baseball Field - Garden Park**

Dear Mr. Keprios:

As requested, we are pleased to provide this fee proposal for design services for the proposed improvements of the baseball field at the Garden Park. Below, we have included a cost estimate, as well as a tentative project schedule for your review. Also attached is a concept sketch which generally illustrates the proposed improvements.

### **The Project**

You may recall that Braun Intertec accomplished soil augers, lab testing and issued a geotechnical report on June 8<sup>th</sup>, 2012. Their investigations found that gravel and debris exists under the field at varying depths but generally at about 3-feet. At that depth, "obstructions blocked the advancement of the auger at several locations. It is possible significant debris is present within the onsite soils". Based on that, we recommend renovation of the ball field rather than reconstruction. That is, we feel it would be an expensive endeavor to attempt to remove the underlying debris to effectively eliminate any chance of future settlement or having debris come to the surface, and there still may be a chance that compressible soils (under the debris) would still cause the field to settle/ heave over time.

In addition to this, you have requested that we provide itemized costs for upgrading, improving, reconstructing or otherwise providing amenities at the baseball field to improve the level of play and experience of using the field.

As a note, the cost estimate is based on the preliminary Concept Design Sketch and should only be considered an approximation to be used as a benchmark for planning and budgeting.

### **OPINION OF PROBABLE CONSTRUCTION COST**

#### **1. Renovation of Existing Baseball Field**

- a. Excavate and remove infield area and replace topsoil with sand-peat prescribed topsoil. Install new drain tile, 5" depth aglime infield, clay pitcher's mound and batter's area, new irrigation system and seed. . . . \$ 85,000.

- b. Regrade outfield area including harvesting/ stripping of existing grass, installation of drain tile, new irrigation system and seed. . . . . \$ 46,000.
- c. Construct new bull pens along each sideline of the field . . . . . \$ 6,000.
- d. Construct new dugouts (two- 10'x40') including footings and foundations, on grade-slab (not sunken), players benches, and protective fencing. Include storage room (12'x10') at the end of the 3<sup>rd</sup> base dugout. Include concession/ storage room (10'x12') at end of 1<sup>st</sup> base dugout. Restore surrounding areas including widening, replacement of asphalt trail. . . . . \$105,000.
- e. Reconstruct/ heighten backstop to 20' height (black vinyl). . . . . \$ 22,000.
- f. Remove, replace sideline and outfield fencing (black vinyl). . . . . \$ 34,000.
- g. Construct batting cages (two- 15'X75') including chain link fence perimeter (12' height), electrical outlets, turf base, and netting tunnels. . . . . \$ 25,000.
- h. Install new scoreboard. . . . . \$ 25,000.
- I. Install new flag pole. . . . . \$ 5,000.
- j. Provide 5-row portable bleachers (~90 seats) . . . . . \$ 8,000.

**Estimated Construction Cost (all items):      \$361,000.**

**ANTICIPATED PROJECT APPROACH AND SCHEDULE**

Anderson-Johnson Associates staff members are available immediately to work with you on this project. Below, we provide a proposed project schedule- we understand timing of the project may change. And please keep in mind, this design and construction-related schedule may change as City and agency review timing becomes more clear and may depend on bidding climate, weather delays during construction, and other factors outside of our control. We will update the schedule as we move ahead.

Planning and Design

- September 2012:      Authorization to proceed with Baseball Field Improvements- Planning and Design services.
- Mid-Oct 2012:      Provide/ submit Preliminary (90%) Construction Documents for City of Edina Park & Recreation Department, Planning Dept and Watershed District for Plan Review. Meet with City and Watershed staff as needed to review the project.

- Early-Nov, 2012: Submit Final Plans to City and Watershed for review and approval.
- Early-Dec 2012: Advertisement for Bids issued. Bid documents printed and available to qualified contractors.
- Mid-Dec 2012: Final Approval from City and Watershed for review and approval.
- Early-January 2013: Bids Received/ Bid Opening.

Construction

The construction, depending on overall scope, will take approximately 8-12 weeks with a seed establishment period of up to 12-months. With that in mind, we'll work with the City and baseball associations/ teams to define the most appropriate time and schedule to allow for the work.

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**FEE PROPOSAL FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES**

Anderson-Johnson Associates, Inc. proposes to provide Site Planning, Landscape Architecture and Civil Engineering services on a **time-and-materials basis** until a defined scope is established. At that time, we will update our proposal for the improvements. Generally, our fees will be in the range of 4-6% of the construction amount, however, we will most likely need to engage the services of an architect, and structural, electrical engineer for the work related to the dugouts, so the fee basis may be slightly higher than 6%.

Our hourly rates are as follows:

Secretary	\$ 54 per hour
Civil / CADD Technician	\$ 72 per hour
Graduate Landscape Planner	\$ 80 per hour
Senior Landscape Architect, ASLA	\$137 per hour
Civil Engineer, EIT	\$ 80 per hour
Senior Civil Engineer, PE	\$137 per hour

We trust the above information is clear and understandable. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me. I will be happy to review the Plan(s) with you and your colleagues at your convenience.

Respectfully Submitted,  
*Anderson-Johnson Associates, Inc.*



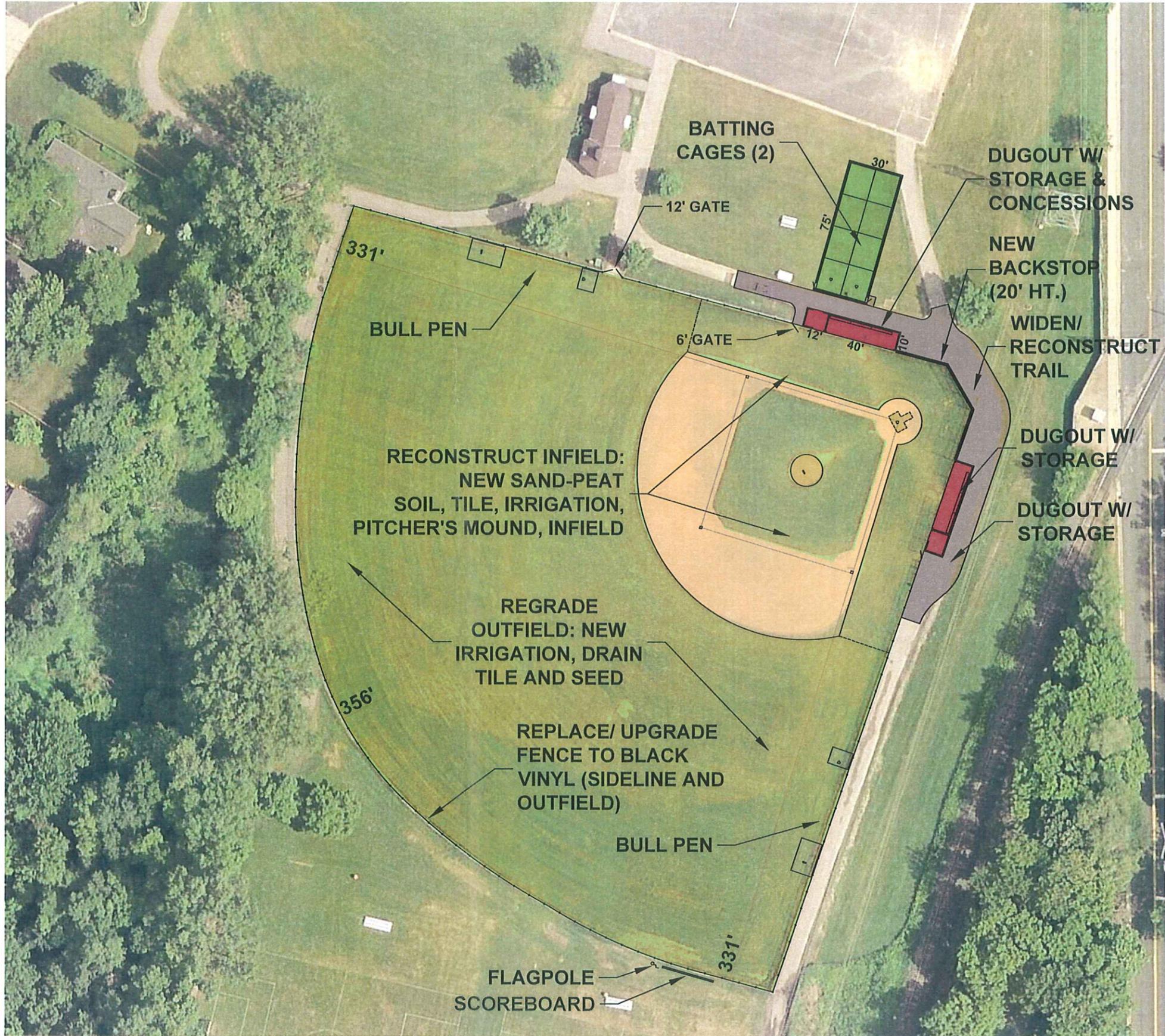
Jay Pomeroy, LLA  
Project Manager

Attachments



### LOCATION MAP

NO SCALE



### SITE PLAN

SCALE: 1" = 60'

PROJECT NO. 12100  
DATE 08/30/12  
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CK BY JRP



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### BALL FIELD IMPROVEMENTS

GARDEN PARK  
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EDINA, MINNESOTA

SITE IMPROVEMENTS PLAN

September 10, 2012

Dear Resident Neighbor of Garden Park:

This letter is to inform you of a proposal from the Edina Baseball Association to add two batting cages and one small maintenance storage shed to Garden Park. Their proposal will be discussed at the upcoming October 9, 2012 Edina Park Board meeting.

The Edina Baseball Association (EBA) is proposing to donate funds and partner with the City of Edina to make the following renovations and new improvements to the baseball field:

- Excavate and renovate the infield and outfield areas, plant new grass seed and install a new irrigation system.
- Construct two new chain link batting cages (15' X 75' and 12' in height).
- Reconstruct and heighten backstop to 20' in height in black vinyl chain link fence.
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- Install a new wireless electronic scoreboard and new flag pole.
- Provide a 5-row portable bleacher to accommodate 90 spectators.
- The general location of these amenities is shown on the enclosed map.

Total project construction costs are estimated to be approximately \$361,000. The EBA is proposing to donate \$100,000 and the City of Edina is also applying for a grant from the Hennepin Youth Sports Program of Hennepin County to help fund a large portion of the project.

The Edina Park Board will meet in the Council Chambers in City Hall beginning at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, October 9, 2012 to consider the Edina Baseball Association's proposal. As always, the public is welcome to attend the meeting.

If you have any questions about the proposed amenities or process, feel free to contact me directly. To share your comments with the Park Board about the proposed project, please send them to me in writing either by postal mail or email. Many thanks.

Respectfully,

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