

CITY OF LOS ALAMITOS
Council Chamber
3191 Katella Ave., Los Alamitos CA 90720

PARKS, RECREATION AND CULTURAL ARTS COMMISSION
AGENDA
REGULAR MEETING

Wednesday, April 1, 2026 – 6:00 PM

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1. CALL TO ORDER

2. ROLL CALL

Commissioner Wright
Commissioner Gallagher
Commissioner Singer
Vice Chair Beck
Chair Bandak

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chair Bandak will lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

4. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

At this time, any individual in the audience may address the Parks, Recreation, and Cultural Arts Commission and speak on any item within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Commission. Please state if you wish to speak on an item on the Agenda. **Remarks are to be limited to not more than three minutes.**

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. Approval of Minutes for the Regular Meeting of February 4, 2026.

6. DISCUSSION ITEM

A. City of Los Alamitos Public Art Program & Policy (Development Services)

The City of Los Alamitos Public Art Program and Policy is intended to develop the City's first comprehensive framework guiding how public art is proposed, reviewed, approved, installed, and maintained.

The purpose is to create a formal Public Art Policy that establishes transparent processes, ensures ADA and legal compliance, and reflects community values. The policy focuses on murals, sculptures, and utility cabinet art—three art types identified as feasible for Los Alamitos based on scale and resources.

7. STAFF REPORTS

A. Update on Sunburst Field

This report provides the Parks, Recreation & Cultural Arts Commission with a review of Sunburst Field.

B. 2026 Summer Concert Series

This report provides the Parks, Recreation & Cultural Arts Commission with information on the 2026 Summer Concert Series presented by the Parks, Recreation & Cultural Arts Commission.

8. ITEMS FROM THE RECREATION & COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT

At this time, City Staff may also report on items not specifically described on the Agenda that are of interest to the community, provided no action or discussion is taken except.

9. COMMISSIONER REPORTS

At this time, Commissioners may report on items not specifically described on the Agenda that are of interest to the community, provided no action or discussion is taken except to provide staff direction to report back or to place the item on a future Agenda.

10. ADJOURNMENT

The Parks, Recreation, and Cultural Arts Commission will adjourn to Wednesday, June 3, 2026.

I hereby certify under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California, that the foregoing Agenda was posted at the Los Alamitos City Hall, 3191 Katella Ave. and online at www.cityoflosalamitos.org not less than 72 hours prior to the meeting. **Dated this 26th day of March.**

Lauren Pavelec

Lauren Pavelec, Department Secretary

MINUTES OF PARKS, RECREATION AND CULTURAL ARTS COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF LOS ALAMITOS

REGULAR MEETING – WEDNESDAY, February 4, 2026

1. CALL TO ORDER

The Parks, Recreation, and Cultural Arts Commission met in a Regular Session at 6:00 p.m. on Wednesday, February 4, 2026, in the Council Chambers at 3191 Katella Ave., with Chair Bandak presiding.

2. ROLL CALL

Present: Commission Members: Bandak, Gallagher, Wright, Singer

Absent: Commission Members: Beck

Present: Staff: Emeline Noda, Director of Recreation & Community Services/Director of Intergovernmental Affairs
Jennifer Sisoiev, Recreation Manager
Steve Kim, Recreation Supervisor
Tara Farajian, Community Resource Supervisor
Gilberto Arteaga-Ceja, Recreation Coordinator
Lauren Pavelec, Department Secretary

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Commissioner Wright led the Pledge of Allegiance.

4. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

Chair Bandak opened Oral Communications. At this time, any individual in the audience may come forward to speak on any item within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Parks, Recreation, and Cultural Arts Commission. Remarks are limited to not more than five minutes per speaker.

Dan Gallagher, Vice President of the Los Alamitos Senior Club, spoke, introducing himself as the reappointed Senior Club president.

5. PR&CA COMMISSION REORGANIZATION

Department Secretary, Lauren Pavelec, provided the PR&CA Commission with information to nominate and elect a Chair and Vice Chair for the annual reorganization of the PR&CA Commission.

Department Secretary Lauren Pavelec opened nominations for the position of Chair; Commissioner Wright nominated Chair Bandak again, seconded by Commissioner Gallagher. When there were no further nominations, Department Secretary Lauren Pavelec closed the nominations.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Commissioner Wright	Aye
Commissioner Gallagher	Aye
Commissioner Beck	N/A
Commissioner Bandak	N/A
Commissioner Singer:	Aye

Unanimously carried: The PR&CA Commission reappointed Commissioner Bandak as Chair.

Department Secretary Lauren Pavelec opened nominations for the Vice Chair position; Commissioner Bandak nominated Commissioner Wright, seconded by Commissioner Singer. With no further nominations, Department Secretary Lauren Pavelec closed the nominations.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Commissioner Wright	N/A
Commissioner Gallagher	Aye
Commissioner Beck	N/A
Commissioner Bandak	Aye
Commissioner Singer	Aye

Unanimously carried: The PR&CA Commission appointed Commissioner Wright as Vice-Chair.

6. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motioned: Wright; Seconded: Gallagher.

Motion Carried: The Parks, Recreation, and Cultural Arts Commission approved the minutes from October 1, 2025, regular meeting.

A. STAFF REPORTS

A. 2025 Accomplishments

This report provided the Parks, Recreation & Cultural Arts Commission with a summary of the 2025 Recreation & Community Services Department accomplishments.

Director of Recreation and Community Services/Director of Intergovernmental Affairs Emeline Noda summarized the staff report.

B. Update on the Senior Services Master Plan Implementation

This report provided the Parks, Recreation & Cultural Arts Commission with an update on the implementation of the Senior Services Master Plan.

Community Resource Supervisor Tara Farajian and Gilberto Arteaga-Ceja, Recreation Coordinator, summarized the staff report.

7. ITEMS FROM THE RECREATION & COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT

Lauren Pavelec, Department Secretary

- Distributed sign-up sheets for RSVPs for the upcoming Weekend of Art and Spring Carnival events.

Emeline Noda, Director of Recreation and Community Services/Director of Intergovernmental Affairs

- Reminded the commissioners about the Race on the Base event scheduled for Saturday, February 28, 2026.
- Announced that the Los Al Link is live and encouraged commissioners to help spread the word that the link is open to all ages, not just seniors.

B. COMMISSIONER REPORTS

Commissioner Wright

- Expressed gratitude for recreation staff and all their contributions to the community.
- Shared that he visited four newly remodeled parks and observed that each park was actively used by community members.
- Thanked the Senior Club team for their help and dedication on Thursday mornings.
- Asked if it would be possible to bring back the Los Al Bucks program.

Commissioner Singer

- Asked about Coyote Creek Park, noting low usage and inquiring whether the area could be filled with grass instead of continuing maintenance.
- Commented on the number of banners along Katella Avenue, expressing concern that there are too many and suggesting they be reduced as they can be a distraction.
- Inquired about the Arbor Park dog park and asked when the City plans to acquire the land.

Commissioner Gallagher

Nothing to report.

Vice Commissioner Beck

N/A

Chair Bandak.

Nothing to report.

C. ADJOURNMENT

The Parks, Recreation, and Cultural Arts Commission adjourned at 7:13 p.m.

Attest:

William Bandak, Chair

Emeline Noda
Director of Recreation & Community Services/
Director of Intergovernmental Affairs

City of Los Alamitos

PARKS, RECREATION AND CULTURAL ARTS COMMISSION AGENDA REPORT

MEETING DATE: April 1, 2026

ITEM NUMBER: 6A

To: Chair Bandak & Members of the Parks, Recreation and Cultural Arts Commission

Presented By: Ron Noda, Assistant City Manager/Development Services Director

Subject: City of Los Alamitos Public Art Program & Policy

SUMMARY

The City of Los Alamitos Public Art Program and Policy is intended to develop the City's first comprehensive framework guiding how public art is proposed, reviewed, approved, installed, and maintained.

The purpose is to create a formal Public Art Policy that establishes transparent processes, ensures ADA and legal compliance, and reflects community values. The policy focuses on murals, sculptures, and utility cabinet art—three art types identified as feasible for Los Alamitos based on scale and resources.

RECOMMENDATION

City Staff recommends that the Parks, Recreation and Cultural Arts Commission:

1. Review the Draft Public Art Policy; and,
2. Provide input and direction for possible refinement before presenting the policy to the City Council for consideration and approval.

BACKGROUND

The City of Los Alamitos takes immense pride in its deep history and remains culturally active. By embracing its small town charm, heritage, and values, the public art program would further celebrate these important qualities. Currently, the City does not have a policy in place that would formally receive and review the approval for art in public spaces. The development of a policy has been identified as a priority to harmoniously guide the creation, placement, and stewardship of public art in the community. Public art projects under consideration include murals, sculptures, artistic utility cabinets, and decorative memorial on Pine Street. The policy provides certain flexibility so that future projects may incorporate additional art forms such as functional, digital, or interactive installations.

DISCUSSION

The proposed Public Art Policy as designed intends to provide a comprehensive but flexible framework that supports the incorporation of public art throughout the city. The policy

emphasizes celebrating Los Alamitos's cultural identity and history while also inspiring the community toward an imaginative future. The scope of the policy applies to public art placed on City property with the potential for private developments that agree to host publicly accessible art.

The policy further highlights the City's commitment to community engagement, with opportunities for events in collaboration with existing programs such as the City's Weekend of Art, workshops, mural painting days, and partnerships with schools, businesses, and community organizations. Overall, the proposed policy seeks to establish a strong foundation for integrating public art into the City's visual and cultural landscape, while ensuring a fair and transparent process for artist selection, community input, and long-term stewardship.

Per the 2035 General Plan, the City of Los Alamitos identified a priority to establish an art program and sets the following goals under the Land Use Element, which states:

"Policy 1.6. Public art. Encourage the incorporation of art in public and private spaces that celebrates the community's history and imagines a greater future."

"Action 1.12 Public art. Establish a program that promotes the provision of revolving and permanent public art exhibits within the public right-of-way in the town center. Coordinate with public utilities, schools, and businesses to design equipment as functional public art. Ensure that art provided in private spaces (e.g., plazas) is accessible by the public and immediately adjacent to the public right-of-way."

"Action 5.8 Bicycle parking. Identify opportunities for bicycle parking in the downtown, including the conversion of single parallel parking spaces along smaller side streets into on-street or curb-adjacent bicycle parking. Bike racks should serve as functional public art and can reflect the types of businesses or uses. Encourage employers to provide bike lockers for employees; consider amending the municipal code to count bicycle lockers (maximum number and quality threshold to be determined) toward the satisfaction of onsite and/or offsite employee parking requirements."

Goals

The proposed policy identifies the following key goals:

1. Celebrate the history, character, and cultural identity of Los Alamitos.
2. Enhance the beauty, vitality, and livability of public spaces—beginning with Downtown Pine Street and extending throughout the community.
3. Support artistic diversity, innovation, and inclusivity.
4. Encourage civic engagement and community pride through public-art experiences.
5. Create lasting cultural and aesthetic value for current and future generations.

Roles and Responsibilities

Roles and responsibilities are clearly defined as follows:

Parks, Recreation and Cultural Arts Commission: To review public-art proposals, advise on artist and artwork selection, and make recommendations to the City Council.

City Council: To approve the Public Art Policy, allocate funding, and authorize final acceptance or removal of major artworks.

City Staff: To coordinate the public-art program, facilitate artist calls, manage contracts, ensure compliance with City policies, and oversee maintenance.

Artist Selection

Artists may be selected through one of the following proposed methods:

- Open Call for Artists: Publicly advertised opportunities open to all eligible applicants.
- Invitational Call: Targeted invitations to selected artists with relevant experience and desired familiarity within the community and character of the City.
- Direct Selection: Commissioning of a specific artist when their work uniquely aligns with the specific project vision and scope of work.

Artist Eligibility

Priority will be given to artists who are residents of privately owned businesses in or have a demonstrated connection to the City of Los Alamitos. However, to ensure a diverse and high-quality pool of applicants, the City may also consider artists from neighboring communities within the Orange County region.

Evaluation Criteria

Artists will be evaluated on the following metrics:

- Artistic excellence and originality
- Experience with projects of a similar scope and scale
- Reputable proof of previous work and projects within a municipal setting, such as providing a list of references, demonstration of work performed, and evaluation of artwork condition and community response.
- Formal estimate that includes cost of materials and labor
- Direct benefit and reverence to the City of Los Alamitos

Artwork Selection Criteria

Proposed artwork will be evaluated according to any or all of the following criteria markers

- Artistic quality, originality, and creativity.
- Relevance to Los Alamitos's history, culture, or community identity.
- Appropriateness for the proposed site, including scale and visibility.
- Safety and accessibility, including compliance with ADA guidelines.
- Durability of materials and suitability for outdoor display.
- Anticipated maintenance requirements and lifecycle costs; and
- Potential to engage the community, foster civic pride, and contribute to a diverse public-art collection.

Implementation Priorities

The City recognizes that an Art Program would strongly benefit the community and provide structured policy criteria for establishing samples of art on public property. Additionally, an Art

Program would enable the City to create the criteria for different types of permissible art types which would bring attractive character, City branding, and unity across the City. The initial phase of the Public Art Program will focus on:

- **Utility Cabinet Art** to deter graffiti and beautify infrastructure.
- **Murals** that enliven public spaces and other key corridors. Dimensions for the murals will be identified based on the location and safety.
- **Sculptures** placed in parks, plazas, and civic spaces; and
- **A decorative memorial** on Pine Street as a landmark feature.

Future phases may include additional functional, digital, and interactive installations and expansion into new public spaces throughout the City.

Policy Review

The Public Art Policy shall be reviewed every five (5) years to evaluate effectiveness, adaptability, and continued alignment with community goals. Recommended updates will be presented to the Parks, Recreation and Cultural Arts Commission and City Council for consideration. Artwork may be relocated or removed if safety, damage, or extreme issues arise.

FISCAL IMPACT

The adoption of a Public Art Policy itself does not impose a direct fiscal impact. However, funding for the program may be supported from multiple sources, including the City's General Fund, Capital Improvement Projects, and grants. The City will maintain an inventory of all artwork, and each project will include a plan for ongoing maintenance.

Attachment: None

City of Los Alamitos

PARKS, RECREATION AND CULTURAL ARTS

COMMISSION AGENDA REPORT

MEETING DATE: April 1, 2026

ITEM NUMBER: 7A

To: Chair Bandak & Members of the Parks, Recreation and Cultural Arts Commission

Presented By: Jason Bruton, Recreation Manager
Carson Deterding

Subject: Update on Sunburst Field

SUMMARY

This report provides the Parks, Recreation & Cultural Arts Commission with a review of Sunburst Field.

RECOMMENDATION

Commission receives and files

BACKGROUND

Sunburst Field has been an integral part of the community for over 62 years. The facility is located and owned by the Joint Forces Training Base (JFTB) and mainly operates as a well-equipped athletic complex designed to support youth sports and community recreation. The facility features four baseball diamonds, six batting cages, several pitching bullpens, and an operational snack bar that serves players, families, and spectators during games and events. With its spacious layout and quality amenities, Sunburst Field provides an excellent setting for organized athletics, skill development, and community gatherings.

Due to recent changes in regulations, the current lease with a local youth sports organization was unable to continue in its current capacity. The City of Los Alamitos was presented with an opportunity to expand green space through a one-year lease at Sunburst Field, with discussion of a future multi-year lease agreement. Through the lease agreement with the JFTB, the City of Los Alamitos Recreation and Community Services Department oversees all aspects of the facility's operations, including field scheduling and reservations, staffing, supervision, and enforcement of athletic facility guidelines. All general maintenance is performed by Los Alamitos Public Works Division. Through careful management and oversight, the City aims to ensure the complex remains safe, well-maintained, and accessible to the community. This new venture also includes a partnership with Los Alamitos Youth Baseball (LAYB).

DISCUSSION

Field Maintenance - Once the City took control of Sunburst Field, the Public Works Division immediately began rehabilitation efforts on Fields 1, 2, and 3. This work included aeration and seeding of the outfields, as well as repairs to the berm areas. Improvements were also

completed at the men's and women's restrooms, including the installation of new hardware, fresh paint, and new flooring. With the assistance of soldiers from G/7-158th, The Guardian, the entire Sunburst facility was cleaned and organized. In addition, the snack shack will be remodeled in several phases, beginning with the abatement of hazardous materials and the removal of existing equipment and flooring. Roof repairs and AC unit additions are pending and should be completed by July.

The proposed Summer Maintenance Plan for the fields includes several coordinated improvements and repairs. Turf maintenance at Field 4 will include seeding, aeration, berm repair, and irrigation system checks. Los Alamitos Youth Baseball's playoffs will occur beginning May 18, lasting two weeks, after which turf maintenance will begin on June 1, and the field will remain closed for the duration of the summer – approximately 10 weeks. Additional turf work will also be performed on the other fields during this time. Field improvements will also include laser leveling activities. Additional maintenance items include repairing a field light lamp and completing water repairs at Fields 3 and 4. The next phase of the snack shack remodel will also begin this summer, with anticipated work including flooring and the remodel of the snack shack area.

Operations – The Los Alamitos Recreation and Community Services Department assumed operational duties of Sunburst Field in December 2025. Recreation Manager Jason Bruton and Recreation Coordinator Carson Deterding began handling logistics and planning for the 2026 Spring Season of Los Alamitos Youth Baseball (LAYB). LAYB is a respected local nonprofit organization that has played an important role in youth athletics within the community. Sunburst Field will support LAYB's popular Fall and Spring baseball seasons, which are well known among Los Alamitos and surrounding cities, and provide young athletes with valuable opportunities for recreation, teamwork, and skill development. On February 7, 2026, Sunburst Field held its Opening Day for LAYB. The day included a ceremony featuring team introductions, a national anthem performance, and a ceremonial first pitch. The LAYB season will run from now until June 1, 2026.

Sunburst Field Snack Shack Operations – Due to upcoming snack shack remodel plans beginning this summer, staff creatively repurposed the City's beverage trailer into a full-service snack shack for players, parents, and spectators at the facility for temporary use. With many pre-packaged and hot food items, the snack shack offers a wide selection. It offers many unique deals, including "The Triple Play Snack Bag," which includes a bag of chips, a granola bar, and a candy of choice. Another offering is "The Grand Slam Snack Bag," offering a choice of chips, a granola bar, candy, cookies, and a drink. Along with the snack bags, the snack shack also highlights local Los Alamitos businesses in selling their products. Some restaurants that have been highlighted so far this season have been Nick's Deli, Valentino's Pizza, and Doh-Nut-Hut Donuts. Recreation Coordinator Carson Deterding is currently working with Local Grind Los Alamitos on a potential partnership at the facility.

FISCAL IMPACT

Expenditures allocated for Sunburst Field are funded through the City's General Fund from the Recreation and Community Services Department for staffing and supplies, and the Development Services Department for field and facility maintenance.

SUNBURST FIELD UPDATE



BACKGROUND

- 7.9-acre sports complex
- consisting of four baseball fields and six batting cages
- Plays host to over 150 games every spring season.
- Currently operating under contract with Los Alamitos Youth Baseball (LAYB) for the 2026 season

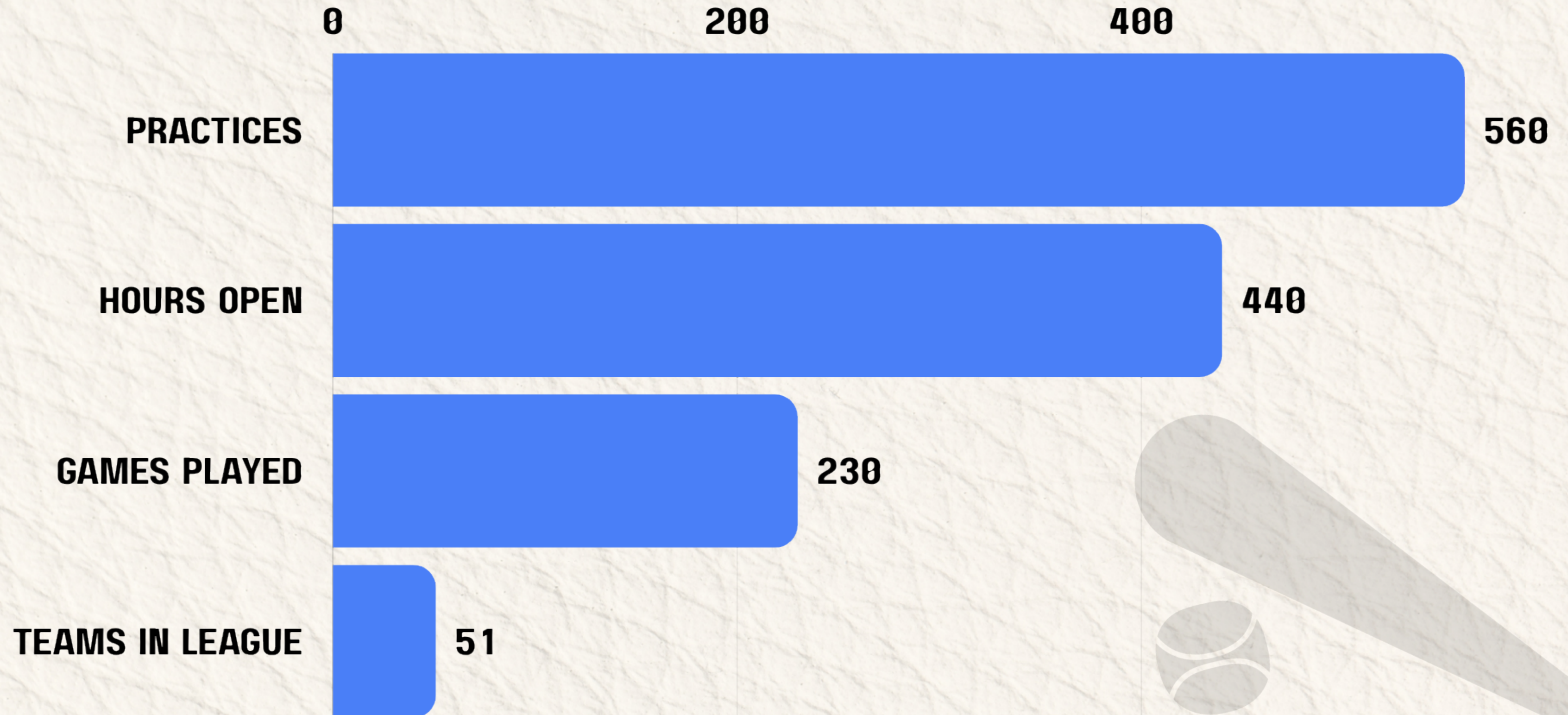


ABOUT LAYB (LOS ALAMITOS YOUTH BASEBALL)

- Consists of five divisions,
 - Foal (4-5 year old)
 - Shetland (6-7 year old)
 - Pinto (7-8 year old)
 - Mustang (9-10 year old)
 - Bronco (11-12 year old)
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- Consists of Spring and Fall baseball seasons, has over 54 teams in the Spring 2026 season



SUNBURST FIELD: BY THE NUMBERS



SNACK SHACK OPERATIONS

- Fully operational out of the beverage trailer
- Open every game days (Monday, Friday, Saturday, and Sunday)
- Offers Hot Dogs, Fresh Popcorn, Cold Drinks, Chips, Candy, and much more.
- Equipped with a food warmer to serve local Los Al Food Businesses
- Paired with a digital display menu



SNACK SHACK MENU

Triple Play Snack Bag

Chips
Cookies
Granola Bar

\$3

Sunburst Special

Hot Dog
Chips
Drink

\$6

Card Payment Only

Grand Slam Snack Bag

Drink
Candy
Chips
Cookies
Granola bar

\$5

Los Al Special

Nick's Deli
Breakfast Burrito

My City ♥ My Los Al

\$8

Beverages

- **Water** **\$2.00**
- **Soda** **\$2.00**
- **Gatorade** **\$2.00**

Candy

- **Skittles** **\$2.00**
- **Reese's** **\$2.00**
- **Twix** **\$2.00**
- **Snickers** **\$2.00**
- **Red Vines** **\$2.00**

Card Payment Only

Sweet Snacks

- **Variety Cookies** **\$1.50**
- **Oreo Cookies** **\$0.50**
- **Granola Bars** **\$2.00**
- **Pop Tarts** **\$2.00**
- **Big League Chew** **\$3.00**

Savory Snacks

- **Slim Jims** **\$0.50**
- **Cheez-It** **\$2.00**
- **Chips** **\$2.00**
- **Popcorn** **\$3.00**
- **Hot Dog** **\$4.00**

SNACK SHACK REVENUE SINCE FEBRUARY 7, 2026

\$12,900 IN
SALES

Sales by Category

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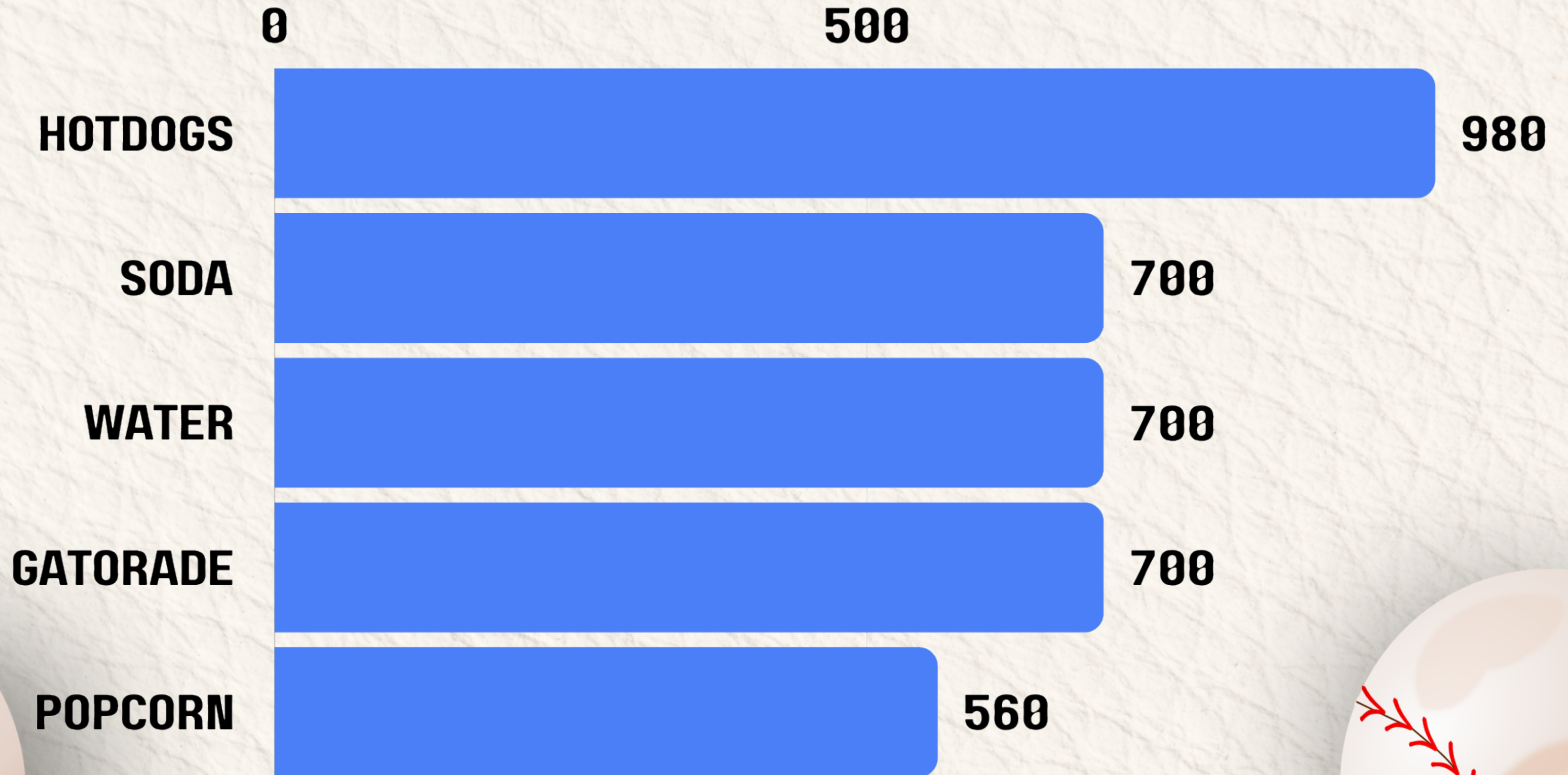
Net Revenue



Sunburst Field

\$12,839.50

SALES BY ITEMS



OPENING DAY 2026!

- The opening ceremony took place on Saturday, February 7, 2026.
- Teams had a inductory ceremony in each division.
- Local vendors in support of LAYB, as well as a silent auction



OPENING DAY 2026 VIDEO



City of Los Alamitos

PARKS, RECREATION AND CULTURAL ARTS

COMMISSION AGENDA REPORT

MEETING DATE: April 1, 2026

ITEM NUMBER: 7B

To: Chair Bandak & Members of the Parks, Recreation and Cultural Arts Commission

Presented By: Steve Kim, Recreation Supervisor

Subject: 2026 Summer Concert Series

SUMMARY

This report provides the Parks, Recreation & Cultural Arts Commission with information on the 2026 Summer Concert Series presented by the Parks, Recreation & Cultural Arts Commission.

RECOMMENDATION

Commission review and file.

BACKGROUND

The Summer Concert Series was first held in the summer of 2022 as a replacement for the Music & Movies event series. The City of Los Alamitos Recreation and Community Services Department hosts eight (8) Summer Concert Series events each summer. These free events give the community an evening of live music and food on select dates.

DISCUSSION

The Summer Concert Series was popular with the public last year. The average attendance for each event exceeded 120 patrons. The series featured a wide range of genres, from R&B to Classic Rock.

Each date will feature a live band, with the concert starting at 6:30 p.m. and ending at 8:00 p.m. Guests can also enjoy merchant and food vendors, along with activities provided by the Los Alamitos Recreation and Community Services Rec on the Go.

This year, the first set of four concerts will be held on Pine Street and will be called "Concerts on Pine Street," scheduled for the following dates listed below:

- Thursday, June 11, 2026
- Thursday, June 18, 2026
- Thursday, June 25, 2026
- Thursday, July 9, 2026

The second set of four concerts, titled "Concerts in the Parks," will alternate locations between

Little Cottonwood Park and Orville R. Lewis Park Jr. on the following dates, with the bands listed below.

- Thursday, July 16, 2026, at Little Cottonwood (Polynesian Festival)
- Thursday, July 23, 2026, at Orville R. Lewis Park Jr.
- Thursday, July 30, 2026, at Little Cottonwood Park
- Thursday, August 6, 2026, at Orville R. Lewis Park Jr.

This year, the Los Alamitos Recreation and Community Services Department will host a Polynesian-themed concert on July 16, 2026, at Little Cottonwood Park. The festivities start at 5:00 p.m. with various local vendors celebrating the rich traditions and beautiful artistry of Polynesian culture. The evening will come alive with the sounds and movements of the islands. From 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m., professional Polynesian dancers and musicians will perform a headline show you won't want to miss.

Staff will present various genres available to select for this year's event dates. The Commission will be asked to vote on what they would like to see at this year's Concert Series.

FISCAL IMPACT

Funding for the event comes from the Recreation and Community Services Department's Special Events budget and the Economic Development Division in Development Services. We are currently looking for a sponsor to help cover some of the event costs. Revenue from food trucks, vendors, and sponsors will also help reduce the overall budget.

Attachment: None