

ATTACHMENT A

REQUEST TO PLACE ITEM ON THE AGENDA (Per Section 1-20 of Governing Standards and Expectations)

Requestor(s): Mellisa Brown

Date: 6/9/21

Problem/Issue/Idea Name for Agenda: Assistance with youth facilities

Description of Problem/Issue/Idea: The City has a shortage of facilities for youth and that is only going to get worse when the construction phase starts on the Rosa Hereford Center renovations. There are organizations in North Killeen that can help with some of that need without the City having the expense of building new facilities and that are free or low cost to most of the youth in our community. The Boys and Girls Club of Central Texas is one of those organizations. With their plan to expand and have a gym and additional programs for teens they are a community partner that really fills in where the City and school district are unable to meet certain needs. This includes transportation, food, and a supervised environment that offers a variety of activities at the same time. Finding ways to support and encourage these organizations is essential to the long term success of our community. Phase two of the new facility will provide a huge impact and advantage for the City of Killeen.

The Bell County Commissioners Court is supportive of using ARPA Funds to assist the Boys and Girls Club of Central Texas with completing the expansion in an expedited timeline. It would be helpful to both the County's decision and the community to show that the City of Killeen has a buy-in and is supportive of the project.

Requested Action:

I request that the City Council support me in asking for the City Staff to bring back recommendations for how the City could assist in this project.