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Recommendation for Council Action

Austin City Council	Item ID	66677	Agenda Number	48.
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Meeting Date:	2/2/2017	Department:	Parks and Recreation
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Subject

Set a public hearing to consider an ordinance adopting local standards of care for the City of Austin Parks and Recreation Department's Youth Programs.

Amount and Source of Funding

Fiscal Note

Purchasing Language:	
Prior Council Action:	
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Council Committee, Boards and Commission Action:	January 24, 2017- To be reviewed by Parks and Recreation Board
MBE / WBE:	
Related Items:	

Additional Backup Information

The State of Texas Department of Protective and Regulatory Services administer state regulations and general licensing procedures for all child-care facilities. An exemption from licensing is available to the City of Austin in operating elementary and middle school-age recreation programs if the City annually adopts standards of care by ordinance.

Adopting the standards of care by ordinance requires an annual public hearing (proposed to be set for February 16, 2017) and subsequent adoption. The local standards of care are provided to parents of each program participant. The ordinance must include minimum staffing ratios; minimum staff qualifications; minimum facility, health and safety standards; and mechanisms for monitoring and enforcing the adopted local standards. This ordinance complies with the minimum requirements. Adoption of the ordinance will result in appropriate standards of care applied to the City's recreation programs for youth.