



City of Austin

Recommendation for Action

File #: 25-2036, **Agenda Item #:** 46.

10/23/2025

Posting Language

Approve a resolution approving updated Policies and Procedures for Concessions in City Parks, which includes the recognition of a legacy concessionaire category. Funding: This is an internal, administrative policy update that does not have a fiscal impact.

Lead Department

Austin Parks and Recreation.

Fiscal Note

This is an internal, administrative policy update that does not have a fiscal impact.

Prior Council Action:

March 12, 1998 - City Council approved Resolution No. 980312-25 adopting Policies and Procedures for Concessions in City Parks.

For More Information:

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Council Committee, Boards and Commission Action:

September 22, 2025 - The Parks and Recreation Board voted to recommend the updated Policies and Procedures for Concessions in City Parks on a vote of 9-0, with one abstention and one absence.

Additional Backup Information:

The updated Policies and Procedures for Concessions in City Parks includes an additional category of concessionaire, the legacy concessionaire. A person or business may qualify as a legacy concessionaire if they have been continuously owned and operated in the same park location by the same person, local business, or a family member for at least 20 years; have operated under the same or a similar name for the entirety of its existence; contribute to the City's history and culture, as determined by Austin Parks and Recreation in its sole discretion; and have maintained the physical features of the concession in good condition.