Mammoth Lakes Recreation Commission Agenda Action Sheet

Title: 2024/25 Parks and Recreation Department Fee Schedule Amendments

Commission Meeting Date: 3/5/2024

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<u>Recommended Motion</u>: Approve by motion the 2024/25 Parks and Recreation Department Fee Schedule Amendments

Summary: The Parks and Recreation Department annually reviews and recommends appropriate fees for the many adult and youth camps programs, including the establishment of fees for facility admission fees and reservations. These fees are presented to the Parks and Recreation Commission, whose powers and duties as stated in section 2.40.040 of the Municipal Code, empower this advisory body to *"advise the Town Council and the Town Manager in all matters pertaining to all Town-owned or managed parks, recreation, facilities, trails, special events and all other associated activities as prescribed by ordinances or by town council action."*

Municipal Code Section 3.39.040 requires an annual review by Town Council of town fees and service charges. In addition, Ordinance No. 08-11 states that Council by resolution may annually set a subsidy for certain fees or charges, thereby not requiring that one hundred percent of costs reasonably borne is recovered by that certain fee or charge. Based on historical Town Council adopted subsidies (Ord. 91-08 & Ord. 95-07) for recreation programs, and the philosophy of the Parks and Recreation Department to provide broad and considerable community benefit and enhanced quality of life, the Department applies a high subsidy (approx. 70-80%) for youth programs and facility operations and a lower subsidy (approx. 10-20%) for adult programming.

The Parks and Recreation Department has conducted an extensive and exhaustive analysis of its services, the costs reasonably borne of providing those services, the beneficiaries of those services, and the revenues produced by those paying fees and charges for these services. In accordance with the Municipal Code, staff is presenting the 2024/25 Parks and Recreation Department Fee Schedule (Exhibit A) to the Parks and Recreation Commission for their consideration. If approved by motion, the Town Council will hold a Public Hearing to consider adoption of the fees on March 20, 2024.