



# City of Denton

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## AGENDA INFORMATION SHEET

**DEPARTMENT:** Procurement

**ACM:** Christine Taylor

**DATE:** September 30, 2025

### **SUBJECT**

Consider adoption of an ordinance of the City of Denton, a Texas home-rule municipal corporation, authorizing the City Manager to execute an Interlocal Cooperative Purchasing Agreement with the University of North Texas, under the Government Code, Chapter 791.001, for gymnasium rental space for the Parks and Recreation Department; providing for the expenditure of funds therefor; and providing an effective date (File 8876 – awarded to the University of North Texas, in the five (5) year not-to-exceed amount of \$500,000.00).

### **STRATEGIC ALIGNMENT**

This action supports Key Focus Area: Strengthen Community and Quality of Life.

### **INFORMATION/BACKGROUND**

Due to the lack of space in City-owned facilities and for the continued growth in indoor youth leagues, the Parks & Recreation Department (PARD) has been using the indoor gymnasiums, Physical Education Building (PEB) & the Bahnsen Gym at the University of North Texas (UNT) since 2011. Six (6) courts in two (2) gymnasiums are used throughout the year for PARD's youth athletic leagues and tournaments. Youth basketball, youth futsal, and primarily youth volleyball are the athletic leagues currently using the facilities. In addition, PARD hosts Texas Amateur Athletic Federation (TAAF) Regional & State tournaments for volleyball and basketball at the facilities. These tournaments bring people to Denton from the Dallas/Fort Worth area (DFW) and across the state.

The estimated cost of the contract over a five (5) year period is based on programs and events occurring in the spring, summer, and fall seasons.

This agreement is mutually beneficial for both the City and UNT. Participation by the UNT Recreation, Event, and Sports Management (RESM) students assists in developing future professionals by providing them with various league management and customer service experiences. Students gain this experience by volunteering, observing, and collecting data from patrons on site. The UNT students also help the City sports teams by providing them with drills during practice to further develop skills. Additionally, results from surveys conducted by the students are shared with City staff and can be used for program evaluation. Lastly, with this Interlocal Agreement, the City receives a lower rate to use the facility and provides exclusive access, meaning programming cannot be bumped by another event/activity.

Participants in our programs enjoy practicing and playing at the UNT courts. Through TAAF, the City of Denton has the largest youth recreation volleyball program in the state. The partnership with UNT allows PARD to accommodate the larger registration numbers and host programs and tournaments at a regional and state level.

FY25-26	\$100,000
FY26-27	100,000
FY27-28	100,000
FY28-29	100,000
FY29-30	100,000
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$500,000</b>

Section 791 of the Government Code requires that all Cooperative Agreements must be authorized by the governing body, regardless of the dollar amount.

### **RECOMMENDATION**

Award a contract with the University of North Texas, for gymnasium rental space for the Parks and Recreation Department, in a five (5) year not-to-exceed amount of \$500,000.

### **PRINCIPAL PLACE OF BUSINESS**

University of North Texas  
Denton, TX

### **ESTIMATED SCHEDULE OF PROJECT**

This is a five (5) year contract.

### **FISCAL INFORMATION**

These services will be funded from Parks and Recreation account 401170.7922. Requisitions will be entered on an as-needed basis. The budgeted amount for this item is \$500,000. The City will only pay for services rendered and is not obligated to pay the full contract amount unless needed.

### **EXHIBITS**

Exhibit 1: Agenda Information Sheet  
Exhibit 2: Ordinance and Interlocal Agreement

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