



City of Denton

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AGENDA INFORMATION SHEET

DEPARTMENT: Parks and Recreation
ACM: Christine Taylor, Assistant City Manager
DATE: March 24, 2026

SUBJECT

Consider adoption of an ordinance of the City of Denton, authorizing the city manager to enter into an agreement between the City and Denton Independent School District to provide summer breakfasts and lunches to children enrolled in the City of Denton Parks and Recreation summer camp program at no charge to said recipients at designated Denton Independent School District sites and Denton Parks and Recreation facility sites; and providing an effective date.

BACKGROUND

The USDA Summer Food Service Program (SFSP) ensures that low-income children continue to receive nutritious meals when school is not in session. Children 18 and younger may receive free meals and snacks through SFSP. Meals and snacks are also available to persons with disabilities, over age 18, who participate in school programs for people who are mentally or physically disabled.

Since 2017, the department partnered with the S. Tracy Howard (STH) Project, a local nonprofit, to administer the SFSP. The STH Project served after school and summer meals at the recreation centers and summer camp sites at no cost to the City. In the Fall of 2024, the STH Project ceased operations of the program, requiring Denton Parks and Recreation (DPARD) to seek alternative options for summer 2025.

In 2025 the department partnered with the Denton Independent School District (DISD) to serve hot meals to all DPARD summer camp participants at their school sites. Additionally, DISD provided sacked lunches and shelf-stable breakfast items to DPARD summer camp participants not located at or near a school site and on field trip days when camps are not on-site.

DISD is the designated 2026 SFSP provider for the Denton community and the department wishes to partner with them for the 2026 summer camp program.

OPTIONS

Approve or deny.

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends approval of the proposed ordinance.

PRIOR ACTION/REVIEW (Council, Boards, Commissions)

FISCAL INFORMATION

The SFSP is funded via an FDA grant awarded to DISD as the service provider. This agreement is at no-cost to the City.

EXHIBITS

Exhibit 1- Agenda Information Sheet

Exhibit 2- Ordinance

Exhibit 3- Agreement

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