



City Partners with YMCA for Recreation and Fun

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE – CIBOLO, TX – On January 27, 2017, the City of Cibolo City Council passed the latest measure to further a partnership with the YMCA of Greater San Antonio to bring a sports complex with outdoor youth sports fields and a new multipurpose recreation facility to the corner of South Main Street and Schaefer Road.

City Council unanimously approved an ordinance authorizing the issuance of Certificates of Obligation in the amount of \$2M to be repaid over a 15-year period. As part of the partnership, the YMCA will pay for the annual recurring staffing, marketing, maintenance, liability and capital outlay needs associated with managing both facilities. City Manager, Robert T. Herrera, welcomes the new relationship stating, "Not only will partnering with the YMCA save our residents millions of dollars within the first 3 to 5 years of operation, it brings the YMCA's management and operational expertise into our community to provide a premier quality of life facility." Furthermore, in its agreement with the City, the YMCA contractually assumes the responsibility to pay approximately 95% of the debt issuance by the City.

The City of Cibolo and the YMCA will also explore the possibility of a later phase of the sports complex including a Miracle League Field to help serve the needs of area youth and adults with special physical or mental challenges.

"We are excited about our partnership with the City of Cibolo and look forward to breaking ground on the new facilities which will enrich recreational activities for all ages of the Cibolo community." Fredy Degollado, District Vice President – YMCA of Greater San Antonio

The Community Center will feature two full-sized basketball/multi-use courts, strength workout areas, fitness centers, child development areas, a kitchen/concession area, public meeting spaces, and office spaces. Members of the Cibolo YMCA will be eligible to use all YMCA facilities in the State of Texas and additional facilities throughout the country.

The estimated completion of the first phase of the sports complex is August 2017, and the community center is estimated to be complete July 2018.

Bringing a recreation and community center with a reputable organization such as the YMCA of Greater San Antonio is a boon for the City and is expected to help spur development along the FM 78 Corridor. Athletes and spectators for events taking place weekly will drive up demand for restaurants, retail options, and overnight accommodations which will, in turn, provide more recreation and entertainment options for Cibolo-area residents.

For additional information about this project, please contact Timothy D. Fousse, Cibolo Director of Public Works and Capital Projects at (210) 658-9900 or Stephanie Jerger, Mission Advancement Communications Director - YMCA of Greater San Antonio at (210) 918-1681.