

Hops Loss of Use Recommendation

The PRC recommends that the City shall mitigate the loss of use from fields 4, 5, and 6 using the following strategy:

FIELD RECOMMENDATIONS

GFRC is the preferred site for the new fields. We agree with the staff recommendations 1, 2, 3, 5 & 6, but have amended #4

1. Gaining hours of use from RTF once the Hops vacate that location and make improvements to RTF to also accommodate softball
2. Gaining hours of use from Field 3 once the Hops vacate RTF.
3. Gaining additional types of use and hours from Hillsboro Stadium once the Hops vacate RTF.
4. Building TWO new fields in the northwest portion of the site.
5. Building one new field on the east portion of the site.
6. Negotiate hours of use at the new Hillsboro Hops ballpark facility as part of the lease negotiations.

FUNDING RECOMMENDATIONS

1. Hops pay for 100% of Loss of Use mitigation. No City funding unless we upgrade to artificial turf. We believe that 3 new fields to replace 3 lost fields is the right thing to do.
2. Develop costs to turf the new fields for PRC consideration to increase recreational use on the campus and evaluate funding options for this expanded capacity.

TIMELINE RECOMMENDATION

Build the new fields on the same timeline as the new ballpark, or faster, if the stadium falls behind schedule, so we can return to full operation by 2025.