

LEGISLATIVE ACTION ITEM

SPONSOR: City Council Member Sherri Myers

SUBJECT:

REFERRAL TO THE ENVIRONMENTAL ADVISORY BOARD FOR REVIEW AND RECOMMENDATION – THE INTEGRATED PEST MANAGEMENT (IPM) PLAN

RECOMMENDATION:

That City Council refer to the Environmental Advisory Board (EAB) for review and recommendation, the City's Integrated Pest Management (IPM) plan. Further that the EAB return their recommendation to the City Council within 60-days of their June meeting.

HEARING REQUIRED: No Hearing Required

SUMMARY:

Integrated Pest Management (IPM) is an effective and environmentally sensitive approach to pest management that relies on a combination of common-sense practices. IPM programs use current, comprehensive information of the life cycles of pests and their interaction with the environment. This information, in combination with available pest control methods, is used to manage pest damage by the most economical means, and with the least possible hazard to people, property and the environment.

Recently the City's Parks and Recreation Department developed an IPM for Athletic Fields within the City. The purpose of this referral is to the request that the EAB take a holistic approach to the reviewing the existing IPM and make recommendations regarding the development of an IPM suitable for use city wide, to include indoor applications.

The EAB has engaged in discussions regarding the need for a suitable citywide IPM and was instrumental in requesting the current IPM developed by Parks and Recreation.

PRIOR ACTION:

Recently the Parks and Recreation Department created an Integrated Pest Management Plan for Athletic Fields within the City.

FUNDING:

N/A

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

None

STAFF CONTACT:

Don Kraher, Council Executive

ATTACHMENTS:

- 1) City of Pensacola Parks and Recreation IPM for Athletic Fields

PRESENTATION: No