



City of Pensacola

222 West Main Street
Pensacola, FL 32502

Memorandum

File #: 20-00424

City Council

8/13/2020

LEGISLATIVE ACTION ITEM

SPONSOR: Grover C. Robinson, IV, Mayor

SUBJECT:

DECLARATION AND DISPOSITION OF REAL PROPERTY - 900 EAST JACKSON STREET
(MALCOLM YONGE GYMNASIUM)

RECOMMENDATION:

That the City Council declare the real property located at 900 East Jackson Street, Malcolm Yonge Gymnasium (Parcel Ref. No. 000S009025005082) as surplus and authorize the Mayor to dispose of through a Request for Proposal. Further, that the City Council determine the desired reuse and authorize the Mayor to execute all contracts, related documents, and any related action necessary to dispose of the property and that staff draft as necessary.

HEARING REQUIRED: No Hearing Required

SUMMARY:

Malcolm Yonge Gymnasium was named for Malcolm Yonge, who was an original member of the Recreation board from 1943 until his death in 1951, serving as Chairman for two years. While under his direction, several youth centers were built, parks added, and other projects extended in scope. A native Pensacolian, he also served as chief deputy tax collector under John R. Jones and attended Alabama Polytechnic Institute (now known as Auburn University). The center was dedicated on July 27, 1961.

As of today, the Gym offers senior programs, such as pickleball and volleyball, and youth basketball and volleyball camps (pre-pandemic). With citizens participating from all over the area, these programs can easily be relocated to other resource centers with as little as two weeks lead time.

In keeping with Council policy, an appraisal of this property was received by City staff in September 2019, and notices will be mailed to property owners within the 300-ft radius of the property. To facilitate the sale of the property, the Mayor or his designee will determine the most efficient effective method to market the parcel. Once a buyer is identified, the proposal will be presented to City Council for consideration.

PRIOR ACTION:

None

FUNDING:

TBD

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

TBD

CITY ATTORNEY REVIEW: Yes

7/31/2020

STAFF CONTACT:

Keith Wilkins, City Administrator

Kerrith Fiddler, Deputy City Administrator - Community Development

Amy Lovoy, Finance Director

Brian Cooper, Parks and Recreation Director

ATTACHMENTS:

- 1) Aerial from Property Appraiser website
- 2) Appraisal - September 2019
- 3) Disposition of Surplus Real Property - Council Policy

PRESENTATION: No