



CITY COUNCIL AGENDA ITEMS

To: Mayor and City Council
From: Walter Denton, City Administrator
Date: July 6, 2004
Subject: Ordinances Authorizing the City to Purchase Real Estate between Porter Road and Venita Drive

List of committees that have reviewed: None.

Background: These ordinances are to purchase property for the establishment of the Family Sports Complex. In 2002, the City received a \$750,000 OSLAD grant from the State to purchase 50 acres for the complex. The City has been negotiating with property owners adjacent to these 50 acres to create a complex that would be designed not only to provide recreational opportunities to O'Fallon residents, but also to attract state and regional tournaments that would increase sales tax and tourism revenue. The exact layout and amenities for the complex are yet to be designed.

Legal Considerations, if any: City Attorney Dale Funk has reviewed the sales contracts and legal descriptions.

Budget Impact: There are three separate parcels of land to be purchased which include a 50 acre tract, 49.74 acre tract, and a 17 acre tract. Negotiations were on-going when packets were to be distributed, so no sale price information is available.

Staff recommendation: Approval