
Sponsor: Parks & Recreation

Meeting Date: 10/17/2023

Title: Cooperative Agreement with the City of Saint Paul for Winter Recreation Operations

File Number: 2023-449

Background and Rationale:

In 2022, Parks & Recreation built snowmaking infrastructure at Battle Creek Regional Park on four kilometers of cross-country ski trails and a sledding hill that is free to the public. As part of this effort, Ramsey County Parks & Recreation and Saint Paul Parks and Recreation are partnering to offer a joint ski pass system. This agreement is similar to last year's agreement with the city, with the exception that Saint Paul Parks & Recreation will no longer operate the ski rental program, which will be taken on by the county, Saint Paul will set up a High School Natural Snow Pass. Cross-country ski rental operations will also relocate to a different room in the recreation center.

Recommendation:

The Ramsey County Board of Commissioners resolved to:

1. Approve the cooperative agreement with the city of Saint Paul, 15 West Kellogg Boulevard, Saint Paul, MN 55102 for a joint ski pass system and shared use of the Battle Creek Recreation center for the period of November 1, 2023, through August 31, 2024.
2. Authorize the Chair and Chief Clerk to execute the cooperative agreement.
3. Authorize the County Manager to renew the cooperative agreement up to two additional one-year terms with all other terms and conditions remaining the same, in a form approved by the County Attorney's Office.

A motion to approve was made by Commissioner Moran, seconded by Commissioner Reinhardt.

Motion passed.

Aye: - 6: Frethem, Martinson, Moran, Ortega, Reinhardt, and Xiong

Absent: - 1: McGuire

By: _____



Mee Cheng, Chief Clerk - County Board