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To: Parks & Recreation Commission
From: Interim Co-Director Parks & Recreation, George Brunson
Subject: Commission Appointment to the Sports Advisory Committee

A Sports Advisory Committee is being created to provide valuable input and support to the department on identifying alternative funding sources for improvements to our athletic facilities, identify strategies to maximize the value of our assets (athletic facilities) to the community, and ultimately participate in the research and development of the Belmont Parks & Recreation Foundation. At this time, staff is requesting that the Commission appoint two members to serve on the Committee.

An important part of establishing the Sports Advisory Committee is forming its mission statement and identifying primary goals and objectives. Components identified in the City of Belmont Vision Statement will be used as a reference tool in developing the mission, goals and objectives:

- *“Our strong sense of community and enjoyment of the town’s assets and activities deepen as we become better informed and connected”.*
- *“Our actions today preserve and enhance Belmont’s social, artistic, athletic, and social dimensions”.*
- *“Our playgrounds and athletic fields are of high quality and in high gear”.*

The Committee will be comprised of twelve members comprised of Parks & Recreation Commissioners (2), Youth Sports Representatives (5), and Community Members at Large (3). Staff will act in the capacity of City liaison and facilitate the meetings.

It is anticipated that the Committee will take six to twelve months to complete its initial work and will meet on a regular basis during that period.