August 27, 2013

MEMORANDUM

TO: Dr. R. Bowen Loftin
    President, Texas A&M University

SUBJECT: CBE Recommendation: Cricket Field Construction

At its August 13, 2013, meeting, the Council for the Built Environment (CBE) discussed a request from the Department of Recreational Sports, on behalf of the Student Cricket Club Team, to construct a new Cricket Field and Pitch on the East Campus Polo Fields. The club’s current field will be lost in the construction of the Campus Point Project. The dimensions of the new field are approximately 120 x 110 yards; the only permanent feature is the pitch, measuring 22 x 10 yards. Parking needs are minimal and can be accommodated by the use of existing parking lots adjacent to the site. Games are typically played on the weekend. The cost for the development of the field is estimated to be $8,000 which will be funded by a combination of sources from the Club and the Departments of Residence Life and Recreational Sports. Contingent upon the action/approval by the University, the club plans to have the field ready for play in the fall 2013 semester.

Facilities Utilization Review Sub-Council (FURsc) recommends that the CBE support the request. The requested site is currently not in use and for all the reasons presented it is the best fit for the use.

Technical Review Sub-Council (TRsc) supports the proposed construction and recommends approval, provided the following concerns are addressed and funded:

Transportation Services -- is supportive of the new Cricket Pitch area. The parking area that will serve the new pitch is lot 50. This is a permitted area requiring a lot 50 permit during the day, M-F and is open to any valid A&M permit after 5 PM. On the weekends there is no permit required, beginning at 5 PM Friday. There are additional restrictions on home football game weekends—the back (eastern most) portion of the lot must be vacated at 6 PM on F ridays of football weekends. The lot 50/51/47 area is open to any valid A&M permit on football game days but it does fill up completely.
CBE voted unanimously to recommend the President’s approval of the construction of a Cricket Field at the proposed location.

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R. Bowen Loftin
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cc: LtGen Joe Weber, USMC (Ret) Vice President for Student Affairs
Mr. Dennis Corrington, Executive Director, Department of Recreational Sports
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DIVISION OF STUDENT AFFAIRS
Department of Recreational Sports

MEMORANDUM

TO: Dr. Karan Watson
    Provost and Executive Vice President

    Dr. Rodney McClendon
    Vice President for Administration

THROUGH: LtGen Joe Weber, USMC (Ret)
    Vice President for Student Affairs

FROM: Dennis Corrington
    Executive Director, Department of Recreational Sports

DATE: June 12, 2013

SUBJECT: Cricket Field CBE Request

The Department of Recreational Sports is requesting permission to design and construct a Cricket field on the East Campus Polo Fields.

The current Cricket field is located on the grounds of Married Student Apartments. They will be losing their field with the construction of the Campus Point Project. After vetting several locations on campus it was determined that a space across from the Rugby Pitch would be the most viable location to design and construct the Cricket field and pitch. The factors that were considered in choosing the Polo Fields:

1. Close proximity to the current location
2. Large area to accommodate play
3. Low maintenance required – only regular mowing
4. Riverside location (softball field) is currently assigned to College of Architecture. It is also a controlled access location after normal business hours and weekends.
5. Adjacent space next to the Bonfire Memorial is not deemed appropriate for the activity

With the assistance of the club's advisor Dr. John Nichols, we believe that an oval field 120 x 110 would meet the club's requirements. The field would not require any dirt work and only routine mowing to keep the grass at a playable level. The only construction required would be installation of the pitch, measuring 22 yards x 10 yards (the club current pitch is 22 yards x 7.5 yards). The pitch will be placed at ground level and covered with green artificial turf, which is necessary for pitching consistency.

Since the pitch will be a permanent structure we are awaiting approval from the CBE to construct the pitch. Upon approval the field and pitch will be designed, constructed, and ready for play by September 1.

If you have questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me.

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MEMORANDUM

To: Dr. Karan Watson
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Dr. Rodney McClendon
Chair, Council for the Built Environment

Subject: Proposed Land Use: Cricket Field Request

RECOMMENDATION

The Council for the Built Environment’s (CBE) Facilities Utilization Review sub-committee (FURsc) recommends that the CBE support the request by the Department of Recreational Sports to construct a Cricket Field on land formerly identified as the East Campus Polo Fields.

SCOPE

The FURsc met this morning to consider the request by the Department of Recreational Sports on behalf of the Student Cricket Club Team to construct a new Cricket Field and Pitch on the land generally east of the current Rugby Fields. The Club will be displaced from their current playing field by the Campus Pointe development occurring in the area of the University Apartments, north of University Drive. The dimensions of the new field are approximately 120 x 110 yards, with the construction of the only permanent feature being the pitch which will measure approximately 22 x 10 yards. Although the club has a membership of approximately 150; allowing for twelve members per team and a spectator base of another twenty or so, the game-time demand would place about 45 people at the site. Parking needs would be minimal and will be accommodated by the use of the existing parking lots adjacent to the site. The games are typically played on the weekend. Portable restroom facilities will be in place as needed to support the club’s games and tournaments. The cost for the development of the field is estimated to be $8,000 which will be funded by a combination of sources from the Club and the Departments of Residence Life and Recreational Sports. Contingent upon the action/approval by the University, the club plans to have the field ready for play by early in the Fall Semester of 2013.

The FURsc recommends that the CBE support the request. The requested site is currently not in use and for all the reasons presented is the best fit for this use.

We are pleased to offer this recommendation and welcome further inquiries related to this analysis.

Sincerely,

James Massey
Chairman, CBE-Facilities Utilization Review sub-council
Interim Associate Vice President for Facilities

CC: CBE-FURsc members
MEMORANDUM

TO: Dr. Karan Watson
    Provost and Executive Vice President

    Dr. Rodney McClendon
    Vice President for Administration

FROM: Tam Reber
    Associate Vice President for Student Affairs

DATE: July 24, 2013

SUBJECT: CBE TRsc Recommendation: Cricket Field Request

On Monday, July 15, 2013, Mr. James Nash, Associate Director of Recreational Sports, presented to the CBE’s Technical Review Sub-council on the proposed design and construction of a cricket field.

The field, to be located on the East Campus Polo Fields, would replace the current field, which will be lost with the construction of the Campus Point Project.

Recommendation
The Technical Review Sub-council supports the proposed construction and recommends approval, provided the following concerns are addressed and funded.

Transportation Services
Transpiration Services is supportive of the new Cricket Pitch area. The parking area that will serve the new pitch is lot 50. This is a permitted area requiring a lot 50 permit during the day M-F and is open to any valid A&M permit after 5PM. On the weekends there is no permit required, beginning at 5PM Friday. There are additional restrictions on home football game weekends – The back (eastern most) portion of the lot must be vacated at 6PM on Fridays of
football weekends. The lot 50/51/47 area is open to any valid A&M permit on football game
days but it does fill up completely.

**CIS Networking**
CIS Networking has no concerns or issues with the Cricket Field.

**Environmental Health & Safety**
No comments or objections related to the proposed new cricket field to be sited east of the
existing rugby field.

**Procurement Services**
We are in full support with no concerns.

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Tom Reber
Associate Vice President for Student Affairs
Chair, CBE Technical Review Sub-council

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