



**BUSINESS OF THE CITY COUNCIL
YAKIMA, WASHINGTON
AGENDA STATEMENT**

Item No. 9.E.
For Meeting of: February 17, 2026

ITEM TITLE: Discussion regarding the Request For Interest (RFI) letters for the operation of Washington Fruit Community Center and Harman Senior Center

SUBMITTED BY: Ken Wilkinson, Parks & Recreation Manager

SUMMARY EXPLANATION:

During the 2026 City of Yakima budget discussions, the direction from City Council was to solicit interest from various organizations regarding their possible interest in operating the Washington Fruit Community Center and the Harman Senior Center. Request for Interest letters have been drafted. The Washington Fruit Community Center has funding budgeted until June 30, 2026, and the Harman Senior Center has funding budgeted until December 31, 2026. Request for Interest letters will gauge the interest from organizations that have the capacity to manage multi-purpose public recreation facilities and initiate the Request for Proposal (RFP) process for the operation of the two community centers.

ITEM BUDGETED: N/A

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RECOMMENDATION: Discussion.

ATTACHMENTS:

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