



ST. CHARLES
SINCE 1834

AGENDA ITEM EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Title:	Recommendation to Approve Use of Langum Park for the 2014 Fox Valley Boy Scout District Camporee
Presenter:	Interim Chief Huffman

Please check appropriate box:

<input type="checkbox"/>	Government Operations	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Government Services 04.28.14
<input type="checkbox"/>	Planning & Development	<input type="checkbox"/>	City Council
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Estimated Cost:	No cost to the City	Budgeted:	<input type="checkbox"/> YES	<input type="checkbox"/> NO
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If NO, please explain how item will be funded:

Executive Summary:

The Fox Valley Boy Scout District has requested use of Langum Park for their 2014 Camporee. Their hope in utilizing this ideal location is to promote scouting in the community. This group encompasses Scouts from St. Charles, Geneva and Batavia. Approximately 100–150 Scouts and parents are anticipated to attend this event.

The City of St. Charles owns Langum Park and has an agreement with the Park District to utilize and maintain the property.

The Camporee will commence on Friday, September 26, 2014 at 5 p.m. and end on Sunday, September 28, 2014 around noon. Parking along Deveraux Way has been requested to be reserved for sole use by the Boy Scouts for their trailers and vehicles containing gear for the event. Additional parking has been requested to be reserved for this event at the east end of the park, which is accessed via 7th Avenue. These areas will be reserved by cones via the Public Works Department by 9 a.m. on Friday, September 26th.

All cooking for this event will be done by the Scouts themselves and will be done by using either propane and/or charcoal. The Fire Department has reviewed and approved cooking and campfire activities.

Attachments: *(please list)*

Diagram of Camporee layout
Facility Usage Plan

Recommendation / Suggested Action *(briefly explain):*

Recommendation to approve Use of Langum Park for the 2014 Fox Valley Boy Scout District Camporee per the Special Events requirements.

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Possible over-flow parking

Participant Parking

Potential Service Project Area

Evening camp fire gathering

Daytime activity area

Troop tent camping area

Event Check-In admin

Trailer/Bear Parking

S 7th Ave

Madison Ave

Monroe Ave

Spring Ave

S 6th Ave

Devereaux Way

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Fox River Trail (Wagonquin to Aurora)

Google earth

Fox Valley District Camporee at Langum Park 2014
Facility Usage Plan – September 26-28, 2014

This plan narrative is intended to generally describe the usage plan for the Langum Park property.

The southwestern portion of the park, with mowed lawn under the scattered trees, would be used for the Troop camping area. Each Boy Scout Troop would be assigned a space within this area to pitch their tents for sleeping, dining flies for eating as a Troop, and doing their cooking over charcoal or propane. We may need to provide water and restroom facilities for this area.

The northwestern portion of the park, which is open and mowed, would be used for the daytime activities. In particular, this is where troops would work on pioneering projects including rope bridges. We would allocate space for various activities as the planned process fleshes out the details, and work around the small detention basin.

The sloped are that is used for sledding in the winter would be used as a natural amphitheatre with participants sitting on that hill facing west. Campfires would be set up in off-the-ground burn barrels at the base of the hill for evening programs on Friday and Saturday.

The parking spaces along Devereaux Way would be used for the Troop equipment trailers and pull vehicles to enable Troops to have their gear parked closest to their camp sites. The parking spaces in the main parking lot by the athletic fields off of 7th Avenue would be used for participant parking. Overflow parking would utilize street parking in locations suggested by the City of St Charles as needed. We will strongly encourage car pooling by the Troops. If there are areas where grass parking would be acceptable, that may be a good alternative to street parking for the overflow, and would allow us better control of parking. We would assign volunteer staff with safety vests to help manage all parking.

We will work with the City of St Charles and the St Charles Park District staff to determine the exact nature of the service project to be conducted on Saturday. At this point, one possibility is to perform a litter/trash clean up, trail rehabilitation, and possibly invasive brush cutting in the natural oak woodland on the southeast part of the park adjacent to Public Works.