



RECREATION COMMITTEE MEETING

MONDAY, APRIL 6, 2026

2nd committee meeting

The Committee will meet in Mauldin City Hall at 5 East Butler Road in the Council Chambers

The meeting will be available remotely through Zoom. Please visit the City's website at <https://cityofmauldin.org/your-government/meeting-minutes-agendas/> to access the meeting via audio and videoconferencing.
A quorum of Council will be present.

**RECREATION COMMITTEE MEETING
APRIL 6, 2026
CITY HALL - COUNCIL CHAMBERS
5 E. BUTLER ROAD**

Committee Members: Frank Allgood (Chair), Members Mark Steenback and Michael Reynolds

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| 1. <u>Call to Order</u> | Chairperson Allgood |
| 2. <u>Public Comment</u> | Chairperson Allgood |
| 3. <u>Reading and Approval of Minutes</u> | Chairperson Allgood |
| a. Recreation Committee Meeting: March 2, 2026
[Pages 3-4] | |
| 4. <u>Reports or Communications from City Officers</u> | Chairperson Allgood |
| a. Recreation Director Bart Cumalander | |
| 5. <u>Unfinished Business</u> | Chairperson Allgood |
| There is no unfinished business. | |
| 6. <u>New Business</u> | Chairperson Allgood |
| a. Discussion: Senior Center Non-Resident Fee
[Pages 5-6] | |
| 7. <u>Public Comment</u> | Chairperson Allgood |
| 8. <u>Committee Concerns</u> | Chairperson Allgood |
| 9. <u>Adjournment</u> | Chairperson Allgood |

MINUTES
RECREATION COMMITTEE MEETING
MARCH 2, 2026
CITY HALL - COUNCIL CHAMBERS
5 E. BUTLER ROAD
1st committee meeting

Committee Members: Frank Allgood (Chair), Members Mark Steenback and Michael Reynolds

Others present: Recreation Director Bart Cumalander, City Administrator Seth Duncan and Assistant City Administrator Greg Saxton

1.Call to Order- Chairman Allgood

2.Public Comment- None

3.Reading and Approval of Minutes

a. Recreation Committee Meeting: July 7, 2025

Motion: Councilman Reynolds made a motion to approve the minutes with Councilman Steenback seconding.

Vote: The vote was unanimous (3-0).

4. Reports or Communications from City Officers

a. Recreation Director Bart Cumalander
Year End Report

Mr. Cumalander reported on department activities. Several Mauldin Recreation youth basketball teams are going to play in state tournaments.

March 28th is baseball opening day and the flag football jamboree will be held on April 1st.

The City of Mauldin annual clean-up day will be held on May 2nd.

Youth summer camp registration filled up in 8 minutes this year. Trevor Booker basketball camp will be held June 8-12.

Mr. Cumalander said the department's goals for this year are to focus on adult sports such as kickball, cornhole, a volleyball collaboration with Pickle Yard, and a 3 on 3 basketball tournament.

All playing fields are busy with practices and tournaments. Tournaments bring revenue into the City.

Councilman Reynolds said he appreciates the department expanding on offerings for adults.

Chairman Allgood said the City tried to participate in a 3 on 3 basketball tournament last year and asked how the department is trying to get more participation this year. Mr. Cumalander said it will be advertised more heavily than it was last year. Emails are also going to be sent out to parents of the kids who already participate in recreation activities to gauge their interest.

Chairman Allgood asked if soccer was being considered as a Mauldin recreational activity. Mr. Cumalander said he is meeting with a soccer association who may be interested in coming to Mauldin.

Chairman Allgood asked about the Senior Center. Mr. Cumalander said there have been some staff changes. Staff is planning to cook a meal for the seniors soon.

Mr. Cumalander thanked Mr. Saxton for his help with the park master plan meetings.

5. Unfinished Business

There is no unfinished business.

6. New Business

There is no new business.

7. Public Comment- None

8. Committee Concerns- None

9. Adjournment- Chairman Allgood adjourned the meeting at 6:15 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
Cindy Miller
Municipal Clerk

RECREATION COMMITTEE

AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY

MEETING DATE: April 6, 2026

AGENDA ITEM: 6a

TO: Recreation Committee
FROM: Bart Cumalander, Recreation Director and Gregory Saxton, Ast. City Administrator
SUBJECT: Discussion: Membership Fee for Non-Residence at the Senior Center

DISCUSSION

Staff is requesting a discussion on an idea to implement a membership fee for non-resident users at the Ray Hopkins Senior Center.

HISTORY/BACKGROUND

The Mauldin Senior Center has served as a valued community resource for many years, providing a welcoming space for older adults to engage in social, recreational, and wellness activities. Throughout its history, the Senior Center has remained committed to enhancing quality of life by offering diverse programming, fostering community connections, and supporting the health and well-being of its participants. Notably, since its establishment, the Senior Center’s personnel and operations expenses are primarily funded by the City of Mauldin’s General Fund, with additional support coming from activity participation fees, Greenville County Redevelopment Authority, private donations, and other organizations as well.

The Senior Center currently does not charge membership fees in general, but does ask for a minor cost share for certain group outings. Membership is not limited to City of Mauldin residents only, and all members are provided a scan card to track participation and utilization. The Senior Center currently serves a total of 2,792 active members, of which 755 are non-residents of Mauldin—representing approximately 27% of the total membership. The Mauldin Senior Center’s participation continues to grow year-over-year, reflecting the high quality and appeal of the Senior Center’s programs and services.

As participation continues to grow and the demand for programs and services increases, the City should evaluate a sustainable way to maintain and enhance the Senior Center’s offerings. While there is currently no fee required to attend or participate, staff is seeking feedback from the Committee on an idea of implementing a modest fee for non-residents to help off-set the cost for operating the facility. This approach would allow the City to continue providing high-quality programs, maintain facilities, and support staffing and operational needs, while ensuring that Mauldin residents—whose tax dollars directly support the Center—receive priority benefit and that non-residents contribute to the operations and upkeep of the facility.

ANALYSIS or STAFF FINDINGS

The City of Mauldin has recently completed its Parks and Recreation Master Plan, which provides a strategic framework to guide future investments, programming, and operational sustainability across its recreational facilities, including the Senior Center. One of the key recommendations identified in the plan is the implementation of a fee for non-residents who utilize City recreational amenities and programs. This recommendation reflects industry best practices and aligns with the principle that residents, whose tax dollars support these services, should receive primary benefit.

The proposed non-resident fee would be incorporated into the City’s annual fee schedule and adopted as part of the yearly budget process, ensuring transparency and Council oversight. Establishing the fee through this process also allows for periodic review and adjustment based on operational needs and community feedback. Staff conducted a review of comparable municipal senior centers and found that the average fee ranges between \$10 and \$15, with the highest identified fee being \$50.

Charleston (Lowcountry and Waring)	\$10.00
Columbia (The Lourie Center)	\$10.00
Myrtle Beach	\$20 with SC ID and \$50.00 Out of SC ID
Lexington County	\$15.00