City of Alexandria

MEMORANDUM

DATE: APRIL 13, 2007

TO: THE HONORABLE MAYOR AND MEMBERS OF CITY COUNCIL

FROM: JAMES K. HARTMANN, CITY MANAGER

SUBJECT: BUDGET MEMORANDUM #52: PROPOSED CIP SCHEDULE FOR ATHLETIC FIELD SYNTHETIC TURF INSTALLATION

This memo is in response to questions that Councilmen Krupicka and Lovain raised regarding public comments on the synthetic turf athletic field installation program, made during the April 9, 2007 public budget hearing.

Within the proposed FY 2008 – FY 2013 City Capital Improvement Program, the Department of Recreation, Parks, and Cultural Activity has established a schedule that will provide seven synthetic fields. In addition to the current proposed CIP plan, two additional synthetic fields are anticipated by 2010 (on the new land acquired) as a result of the Wilson Bridge mitigation (Witter/Roth Street area). Also, the City's School system has proposed three synthetic fields in their CIP. The chart below provides a summary of artificial turf fields expected to be completed by FY 2013.

Proposed Schedule for Athletic Field Synthetic						
	FY 2008	FY 2009	FY 2010	FY 2011	FY 2012	FY 2013
Minnie Howard Field	X					
Fort Ward Field	X					
T.C. Williams (ACPS)	X					
Braddock Field 1		X				
Braddock Field 2			X			
Witter Field 1 (WWB)			X			
Witter Field 2 (WWB)			X			
G.W. Middle School (ACPS)			X			
All-City Sports Facility			X			
Four Mile Run Field				X		
Hammond Upper Field (ACPS)				X		
Lee Center Field					X	
Field TBD						X
Total	3	1	5	2	1	1
Cummulative Total	3	4	9	11	12	13

The current proposed program provides that four synthetic turf fields will be installed by the FY 2009 budget cycle. Also, the All-City Sports Facility will provide an additional synthetic turf field perhaps as early as 2009 or 2010. Based on this schedule, the City will have 12/13 synthetic turf fields completed by FY 2013. It should be noted, however, that all of the CIP

plans for future fiscal years are potentially subject to change, given the significant shortfall of identified funding for fiscal years 2009 and 2010, as well as Council's FY 2008 CIP deliberations.