

Subject: City Council Agenda Request – Ascent Mentors Match Day Event

Hello Ms. Jackson,

I hope you are doing well! My name is Kate Clancy, and I am writing on behalf of Ascent Mentors to request placement on the City Council agenda for our annual Match Day event.

The event is scheduled for Sunday, September 21st, from 3:00–4:00 PM, and we are requesting use of Williams Park. We would like to begin our reservation at 1:30 PM and end at 5:00 PM to allow time for event setup and takedown.

Ascent Mentors is a local nonprofit organization dedicated to empowering college graduates to disciple high school students at Highland Park High School one-by-one. What began nine years ago as a small Bible study that our founder, Holly Scurry Todd, was invited to lead, has since grown into a full-scale mentorship program. In our fifth year of operation, we had 312 high school students mentored by 297 college graduates, and we are excited to continue expanding our impact.

The purpose of Match Day is to introduce our students to their mentors for the first time. This event marks the beginning of a meaningful relationship that will grow over the next four years and hopefully beyond. We are unsure of an exact headcount, but we anticipate upwards to 600 attendees. The event will include tents (secured with sandbags and not stakes), yard games, and microphones for speakers.

Please let me know if any additional information is needed. We appreciate your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

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