#### **REQUESTS FOR CHECKLIST SUBMISSION WAIVERS**

# Fairleigh Dickinson University-Amended Preliminary and Final Site Plan Application

#### **Baseball Field Renovation**

#### **Checklist A:**

Item #13: Title Easements and Restrictions.

Due to the length and technical nature of this item, Applicant requests submission of four (4) copies of this 88 page document rather than seventeen (17) copies.

### **Checklist C: Preliminary Site Plan and Variances**

Item #7: More specific 1 ft. contours are shown rather than 2 ft. contours

<u>Item #8:</u> Due to the size of the baseball field, the Project is depicted on 30" x 42" sheets. The larger sheet size is an industry standard which permits depiction at the scale required by Checklist C, Item #5, on one sheet providing clarity and ease of review.

Checklist D: None

### Checklist E: Application for Permitted Use with Waiver

### <u>Item 4: Written Statement of Prior Use</u>:

The Property designated as Lot 6, Block 101 on the Madison Tax Map is comprised of the Fairleigh Dickinson University Campus ("FDU") athletic fields.

The Property has been occupied for several decades by and used as a NCAA Division III baseball and soccer field for the FDU Devils. In 2019, FDU obtained approvals from the Madison Planning Board to renovate and update the soccer field into a multi-purpose sports field and track, and to relocate and renovate certain other track related events (e.g., shot put, discus, long jump).

The within Application seeks to renovate the area currently occupied by the existing baseball field to bring the baseball facility into accord with current NCAA standards including safety.

# <u>Item 5, Written Statement of Proposed Use of Space</u>

FDU proposes to renovate its existing baseball facility to provide, *inter alia*, an infield and outfield of synthetic turf, ball stopper safety netting, foul poles, new outfield fencing, backstops, dugouts, batting cages, pitching tunnels, home and away bleachers, scoreboard and press box for the NCAA Division III FDU baseball team.

# Operation of Baseball Field

#### Schedule

- FDU's Baseball Field is a NCAA Division III Athletic Field from (Spring Semester Season) and (Fall Semester Season);
- Fall Semester Season begins with the FDU team Prospect Camp held in August
  - o Fall Semester Season runs Sept. 1st to Nov. 1st
- Spring Semester Season begins February 1st, (preseason, weather permitting) and runs from March 1st to June 1st
- Summer:
  - Youth clinics sponsored by local recreation leagues can be scheduled during June and July
  - Individual summer youth clinics are one per week, daytime Monday through Friday;
    - Fall youth clinics are of shorter duration and can be scheduled depending on the University's home game schedule.

### Field Activity

- FDU Devil's Schedule: 15 Home games are played per season, up to 5 games per week;
- Game Day Hours: Weekday afternoon games begin at 3:30 pm, Saturday games begin at 1pm, both are preceded by batting practice approximately 2.5 hours prior to game time
- Practice times vary depending on class schedules
- Maintenance: In addition to normal university groundskeeping (grass cutting, landscaping, trash collection, parking lot/ roadway and walkway maintenance)
- Game Day activity involves typical placement of base pads, delivery and removal of baseball
  equipment, water/ Gatorade and a temporary spectator refreshment table removed after
  game. No commercial deliveries are made to the field
- Visiting team arrives and departs by charter bus
- Personnel: 15 persons in addition to teams and coaches; includes scoreboard operator, statisticians, trainers, umpires and an announcer
- Scoreboard and PA: operated during scrimmages, practices, pre-games and games
- Attendance: 2018 FDU Home Game Attendance -927 persons, at 15 home games with average attendance of 61.8 persons

# Security:

- Press Box is locked unless Baseball activities are in progress
- Gatehouse is closed and locked during non-baseball activities; key card access to be required

# **Item 12 Waste and Recycling**

The Baseball facility is provided with numerous trash receptacles and is regularly serviced in accordance with established University-wide trash and recycling practices.

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