



**CITY OF NEWBURYPORT**  
**GIFT ACCEPTANCE FORM**

Ordered, that, the City of Newburyport accepts the following gift in accordance with M.G.L. Chapter 44, Section 53A:

Date of Gift:	3/21/2024	
City Department:	DPS – Parks Division	
Staff Contact:	Michael Hennessey, Parks Manager	
<i>Gift Overview</i>		
Gift Type:	In-Kind	
Donor:	Newburyport Pioneer League <a href="https://www.nbtpioneerleague.org/">https://www.nbtpioneerleague.org/</a>	
Purpose:	The \$13,400 donation will be used to raise the height of the fence around Founders Field at Lower Atkinson Common to match the height in the left field corner, resolving issues with holding summer games due to fence distance. Additionally, a portion of the donation will be used to increase the height of the fence in the left field corner of Hawkes Field by about 5 sections. This modification is necessary to ensure the safety of children playing wiffle ball behind Hawkes Field, as it is the only green space available with the playground coming in. Raising the fence will protect them from home run balls and reduce distractions for players during games. This project was reviewed and approved by the Commission.	
Gift Amount:	\$13,400.00	
<i>For Office Use Only</i>		
City Council Packet Date:	4/8/2024	
Emergency Measure?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No

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Councillor Sharif I. Zeid

**In City Council April 8, 2024:**

Motion to collectively refer ORDR00551, ORDR00552, ORDR00553 to Budget & Finance, and ORDR00554, ORDR00555, ORDR00556, ORDR00557, ORDR00558 to Budget & Finance and COTW by Councillor Zeid, seconded by Councillor McCauley. Roll call vote, 10 yes, 1 absent, motion passes.