RESOLUTION NO. R-2018-____

A RESOLUTION authorizing a Lease Agreement with SOZO Sports of Central Washington to provide property to SOZO for the development, operation and maintenance of a Public Park and Recreation Facility on property adjacent to the SOZO Sports Complex.

WHEREAS, the City and SOZO Sports of Central Washington have established a partnership for the purchase and development of property south of the Yakima Air Terminal to provide premier soccer and mixed sport facilities to the public; and

WHEREAS, in addition to the partnership for the development, operation and maintenance of the soccer and sports facilities the City committed to providing additional property for SOZO to assist in the success of the premier sports facility; and

WHEREAS, to fulfill this commitment to SOZO, as well as to provide RCO replacement property for a similar partnership obligation the City has with the YMCA for the development of an aquatic facility on a portion of the Chesterley Park property, the City has purchased 32 additional acres of property immediately adjacent to and north of the SOZO sports facility to meet the objectives of SOZO's development plan; and

WHEREAS, the City has agreed, in accordance to the terms set forth in the Public Park And Recreation Facility Lease Agreement City of Yakima And SOZO Sports Of Central Washington, attached hereto and incorporated herein by this reference, to lease the 32 acre property to SOZO to further SOZO's agreement to construct, operate and maintain a Public Park and Recreation Facility that shall be open to the public for use as a City park and recreation area and available to offer entertainment, recreation and enjoyment to the public; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds it to be in the best interest of the City to authorize the attached Lease Agreement whereby the residents of Yakima and many others will be benefitted by the public park facilities SOZO has agreed to construct and maintain on the property the City has purchased for this purpose, Now, Therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF YAKIMA:

The City Manager of the City of Yakima is hereby authorized and directed to execute the attached and incorporated Public Park And Recreation Facility Lease Agreement City of Yakima And SOZO Sports Of Central Washington that will benefit the residents of the City and many others, and will also be useful as an exchange property for the YMCA Chesterley Park RCO conversion property.

ADOPTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL this 6th day of February, 2018.

ATTEST:

Kathy Coffey, Mayor

Sonya Claar Tee, City Clerk