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Palermo Wins Summer Adult Soccer League Championship

Kerrville, Texas (Aug. 3, 2018) – The Kerrville Parks and Recreation Department’s 2018 Summer Adult Soccer League came to a close Thursday night in the most dramatic fashion after top-seed Palermo’s Abel Navarro scored on the final kick of the game, lifting his team to a thrilling 2-1 victory at the Kerrville Sports Complex.

No. 2-seed Evolution struck first when Alfredo Mejia scored off a finely-struck left-footed volley 10 minutes into play, but Abel Navarro of Palermo evened the score at 1-1 later in the half with world-class header.

The two teams battled hard until the 60th minute when a free-kick was awarded to Palermo from about 20-yards out. On the final kick of the night and the season, Navarro nailed the game winner.

“It was an excellent show of skill and desire to win from both Palermo and Evolution,” Kerrville Parks and Recreation Specialist Josh Rodrigue said. “The teams have a bit of a rivalry

going on the past few years, so it made the competition that much better. The league as a whole could not have been more exciting. We had 10 teams, making up over 130 players in the league, and each night we averaged nearly 200 spectators. Our soccer leagues continue to grow, which shows the popularity and importance of soccer in the Hill Country.”

Most of the teams in the league were from Kerrville, but some traveled from Comfort, Hunt and Fredericksburg to be a part of the action and play at the beautiful new Sports Complex.

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Below is a photo of the 2018 Summer Soccer League Champions, Palermo, captained by Eder Alvarez (bottom row, second from right).

