

From: Alice English [REDACTED]
Sent: Tuesday, August 18, 2020 4:05 PM
To: Public Comment <publiccomment@cityoftracy.org>
Subject: Measure V , public comment Item 4 , special meeting 5pm

Good Evening, council and honorable Mayor Rickman. My name is Richard English.

Measure V has always been measured on projections. How much we would get from sales tax.

Well now with COVID19, we are looking at a bigger deficit. Our city council is talking about building a water park.. at a cost of \$65 million and we still have other projects that are not completed. Such as legacy fields with infrastructure and shovel ready, let's finish what we started. Legacy fields , baseball and soccer will generated revenue for the city of Tracy. As far as the Aquatic park, we do not have the money, lets put it back on list #2, build the 50 meter pool first. And other amenities can be added later. Thank you for your time

From: Cesar Quinteros [REDACTED]
Sent: Tuesday, August 18, 2020 5:57 PM
To: Tracy City Council <tracycitycouncil@cityoftracy.org>
Subject: Measure V funds for public pool

City of Tracy Council Members,

I remember very vividly the push for Measure V passage when it came to vote. Top on the "promise" this money was to provide: a public community/city pool built in the Ellis subdivision. I remember about 2 years ago the groundbreaking activity for this happening. Yet, here we are still without a public pool, but Measure V funds coming into our city for years now.

Please take the time tonight to follow up on the promise to Tracy citizens and support the building of this pool. You sent out a survey of what people wanted the money to be spent on and this was at the top of the list (along with updating the city library).

It's what was promised. It's what the community wants. It should happen already.

Thank you,

Allison Quinteros
[REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED]

Sent: Saturday, August 15, 2020 3:03 PM

To: [REDACTED]

Cc: Robert Rickman <Robert.Rickman@cityoftracy.org>; Nancy Young <Nancy.Young@cityoftracy.org>; Dan Arriola <Dan.Arriola@cityoftracy.org>; Rhodesia Ransom <rhodesia.ransom@cityoftracy.org>; Veronica Vargas <veronica.vargas@cityoftracy.org>; Customer Service <CustomerService@cityoftracy.org>; Web - Parks <Parks@cityoftracy.org>; Web - City Manager <CM@cityoftracy.org>

Subject: August 18th council meeting and Measure V funds

Dear Mayor and Council Members,

I hope this email finds each of you safe and well.

Now is the time to finish what the "city" started. Now is the time to finish Legacy Fields and the thousand plus kids it serves each year! This project was visualized 20 years ago and started almost 10 years ago.

Get a great idea to build a sports complex! Bad idea not to finish it. Why? Dirt parking lots. Mud with the spring rains. Porta-potties. No lights. Poorly designed traffic flow. No concessions. Now you leave a project 2/3's of the way through to start on something else? By waiting for BOTH the Aquatic Center and the Multi-Gen Rec Center to be completed, Legacy funding is delayed by 10 years IF it even gets done then! Dusty,dirty, every time you drive out there. Horrible!

If you must, then, think creatively. Why not explore concurrent funding to finish Legacy and start on the Aquatic Center. Consider using from pay-go CIP's over 10 years and you are left with completion dates of the 2 large projects delayed MAYBE 6-12 months. BUT, you have finished what other before you could not!

I think this council is motivated to do the right thing. That "thing" is finish what was started before you and **NOT** "kick the can down the road"! That's all.

Thank you for your service to our community and thank you for your time.

Sincerely,

Edward Graham

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

From: Eleassia Davis [REDACTED]
Sent: Tuesday, August 18, 2020 4:02 PM
To: Public Comment <publiccomment@cityoftracy.org>
Subject: Special Meeting/Agenda Item 4/Measure V Fund

Good evening Mayor Rickman and Council,

As we all know, amenities are highly desired and especially important to enhancing the quality of life of children and families of Tracy. Residents were asked to participate in a survey that defined the amenities they desired most. From that data, the council determined a priority list that would be funded by Measure V Funds. At the top of the priority list were the aquatics center, Legacy Fields and the Multi-Generational Center. While all of the amenities are still highly desired and needed within our community, last year, the council re-prioritized the list, and subsequently, Legacy Fields was removed from the priority list.

As our city faces the financial impacts of COVID-19 head-on, I ask the council to consider the immediate benefit of placing Legacy Fields back on the priority list. It is the only project that is shovel ready, has the immediate ability to generate revenue for the city, and can allay the concerns of children and families who have already been playing on the fields in less than desirable conditions. Additionally, the new Hilton Hotel on the corner of Corral Hollow at Grantline will be completed in the very near future, which means traveling families who use the fields will soon be spending money on lodging and patronizing local businesses, generating much-needed revenue for our city.

Acting on Legacy Fields now presents a win-win situation for our local sports teams, our local economy, and moves Tracy one step closer to becoming a destination.

Thank you for your consideration.

Respectfully,

Eleassia Davis

From: Heidi Yee [REDACTED]
Sent: Sunday, August 16, 2020 2:05:44 PM
To: Public Comment <publiccomment@cityoftracy.org>
Subject: update on Measure V Revenue Projections

Heidi Yee
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

Council Members and Staff,

I am writing in support of the funding for the Aquatic Center as a Measure V funded project. As a resident of Tracy, I have been looking forward to seeing this project built. Every time I think it is going to be built it seems there is a setback. I will be really excited to see this project completed and to know that the sales tax as a result of my purchases in Tracy is going to build a facility that all of Tracy can use. I urge the Council to vote for the complete funding of the aquatic center as approved in the November, 2019 City Council meeting.

Thank you,
Heidi Yee

From: JaReIl McIntyre [REDACTED]
Sent: Sunday, August 16, 2020 4:44 PM
To: Tracy City Council <tracycitycouncil@cityoftracy.org>
Subject: Please Finish Legacy Fields

Please finish Legacy Fields! We deserve better!

JaReIl McIntyre

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JaReIl T. McIntyre

Good evening Mr. Major and members of the council. My name is Paul Zwickey, I am the District 67 Little League Administrator representing (11) Little Leagues in San Joaquin County with over 3500 players. As a long-term resident of Tracy, I have been involved in youth sports for 16 years.

I am speaking to you tonight as a representative of Little League Baseball to voice my concerns specifically regarding the Legacy Fields East complex located at 4901 N Tracy Blvd.

Since the late 1980's, the vision to build a sports field has been a primary focus for the council. Decades later, Legacy Fields was born but has yet to be completed. The vision for all youth sports to be primarily located in one location was created by previous councils and was the dream for many families across Tracy. I reflect back to the groundbreaking ceremony in 2012 when Tracy Little League engaged in a private public partnership to give our youth a place to call home. The sweat equity and hard work from all of our, purely volunteer organization raised nearly \$200K to contribute towards a field that was playable. The P3 agreement for Tracy Little League, at that time was a strain on our nonprofit status and provided little internal revenues to apply towards the build.

I realize it is easy for me to sit here and voice my concerns without providing you with some context behind my thoughts. I would much rather provide you my solutions that you may consider.

As you discuss Measure V this evening it is my understanding that the funding of a water theme park on the South side of town is one of the primary discussions. Additionally, I understand that the price tag is in the neighborhood of \$60MM. My concern as a Tracy resident is that we often chase the shiny object that is most attractant and seem to forget about the projects that have been started and are not completed, specifically Legacy Fields East. Building a water theme park and using the city taxpayer's money will leave a deficit to our city budget. Is that a good use of our taxpayer's money? And can we really afford \$60MM? Lastly, I challenge you to consider, "what do Tracy residents want"? To find the answer to this question have you considered doing a survey or a study with our residents to hear their voice? However, I do think there can be a happy medium to address all of the projects we have ongoing in Tracy. In fact, may I suggest a phased approach to your proposed water theme park? Have you considered building the infrastructure and a pool to start? Utilizing this method of a phased approach could be implemented to complete Legacy Field East.

My suggestion would be for the council to consider a phased approach for the completion of Legacy Fields East. My suggested approach is not asking you to complete the entire engineered scope of work. I simply feel that with approx. \$5.0mm the East diamonds could be completed; fixed bathrooms and concessions could be built, and the basic infrastructure installed for future lighting. I realize the cost of lighting is exorbitant so would suggest that being done in future phases. To keep costs in perspective, the city council has already agreed and spent millions of dollars on the design phase of Legacy Fields. In fact, Tracy Little League has worked closely with city staff by providing feedback on implementation and design. That design was paid for, and the remainder of the East fields are shovel ready and if started this fall would be playable in the fall of 2021. Conversely, by pushing off the completion of Legacy Field East it could cause

future design costs. The cause of re-design may be caused by building code changes in the future that none of us could predict.

As I think about the future of Legacy Fields, I think about revenue coming into the City of Tracy. As a representative of Little League Baseball, I think about the thousands of families that would flock to Tracy to play regular season games as well as post season tournaments. This activity brings players from surrounding San Joaquin County all contributing to local revenues. In fact, there are options to host a Little League International Tournament at Legacy Fields just like Livermore has done with the Little League 50/70 World Series, bringing families to our city from across the globe. Little League also tailors to more than just boy's baseball. Tracy Little League supports a wonderful program in our city for players with disabilities. This program provides these players with an outlet to participate in a safe environment with all of the costs being handled by the league. Additionally, Little League has established a scholarship program for players in our community that cannot afford to participate with a mission statement of "No Child Is Left Behind". Lastly, I can't leave out Girls Softball. Our program in District 67 has grown the last 3 years by 15% with the addition of softball tailoring to many different walks of life throughout our community.

This request is not about Little League Baseball! It is about our youth players in our community. The completion of Legacy Field East brings additional usage and revenues through Travel ball tournaments as well as additional fields for our Junior Giants program. It relieves the existing fields we lease in the City of Tracy allowing more playing space for the ever-growing amount of baseball/softball teams. It is a sports tourist destination for outside travel ball organizations due to the location and easy access to our city.

You can imagine what COVID-19 has done to all youth sports programs for 2020. Although, players may not be on the field we anticipate our 2021 season to grow 25+%. These kids are ready to get back to organized sports! If the plan to move forward on Legacy Field East is considered there will be minimal impact to the operations leaving our trade workers, the room they need to get the work completed.

In closing, I ask you to consider where your project funding will be allocated and not just focus on one specific project. Consider parsing out funding on several projects utilizing a phased approach so all families in our community could benefit. You made an outstanding investment in Legacy Fields and I am sure you would like to see that project come to a close!

Thank you for your consideration!

Sincerely

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Paul Zwickey".

Paul Zwickey

From: Lorraine Penzar [REDACTED]
Sent: Tuesday, August 18, 2020 3:32 PM
To: Public Comment <publiccomment@cityoftracy.org>
Subject: Comment special meeting - August 18

Council and city of Tracy staff,

Two years ago my family, friends and I voted to pass Measure M, excited that the measure would at last allow the long promised swim center to be built. I know that the swim people knocked on a lot of doors in support of the measure and were instrumental in its passage. Tracy so badly needs the aquatic center as it provides missing services for families, seniors, kids and teens. The center was promised to us many times over the years and it is high time that this council deliver on its promises to the good people of Tracy. I urge you to fund this badly needed project which will improve the lives of all who live in Tracy.

Lolo Penzar

From: Michelle Mavis [REDACTED]
Sent: Sunday, August 16, 2020 1:50 PM
To: Tracy City Council <tracycitycouncil@cityoftracy.org>
Subject: Legacy Fields

Hello Council Members-

My name is Michelle Mavis and I live at [REDACTED]
I am writing you today for my voice to be heard! I understand that you will be discussing Measure V in the upcoming Special Board Meeting and how the funds will be allocated for planned projects. Additionally, I know the water park has been a topic of discussion because the ultimate price tag is much more than the city can afford.

Since the late 1980's, the vision to build a sports field has been a primary focus for the council. Decades later, Legacy Fields was born but has yet to be completed. The vision for all youth sports to be primarily located in one location was created by previous councils and was the dream for many families across Tracy. Please finish what you started! I am asking you to consider a phased approach to all of your projects. The Legacy (East) Fields are mediocre at best and lack many health and safety concerns related to trip hazards, restrooms, concessions, seating and other basic necessities. I too understand the high cost of construction projects and suggest that the Legacy East diamond complex be completed with the same infrastructure and amenities as the West diamond complex. The parking lot needs to be finished and an additional exit has also been discussed. You may also consider phasing the lighting portion of the project due to its additional expense. I believe that with the suggestions outlined above, you can take a similar phased approach to all of your projects.

I want to thank you for your consideration and look forward to seeing improvements at Legacy Fields!

Sincerely,

Michelle Mavis

Tracy Little League (Board of Director, Manager, Coach, Parent)

-----Original Message-----

From: Paul Zwickey [REDACTED]

Sent: Sunday, August 16, 2020 7:24 PM

To: Tracy City Council <tracycitycouncil@cityoftracy.org>

Subject: Voice of Little League Baseball- Legacy Fields Phased Approach (Paul Zwickey)

Hello Council-

I am sharing with you a topic I would like to discuss at your special meeting on Tuesday evening. I wanted to provide each of you heads up on my message and hope to have 5 minutes to articulate my concerns.

Please utilize the attached document for council records.

Sincerely,

Paul Zwickey

From: Robert Simmons [REDACTED]
Sent: Monday, August 17, 2020 5:04 PM
To: Tracy City Council <tracycitycouncil@cityoftracy.org>
Subject: Legacy Fields

Hello Council Members-

My name is Rob Simmons and I live at [REDACTED].

I am a former League President of Tracy Little League. I am deeply saddened and more than a little pissed that the City Council is wanting to put Legacy on the back burner for the next decade. I understand how something shinier can get our attention, but the cost is too much. Every single person on the council is smart enough to know that a 65 million dollar estimate now will easily be doubled before it is all said and done.

I was there for the past 5 years when the previous President signed the contract with the city for the East fields and I was there as President when we signed those fields back to the city. We did that on the word of city officials that the East fields would be finished to mirror the West fields.

If I were still in charge of TLL, the first thing I would do in ensure that TLL played on those West fields as soon as things open back up...I would also make sure that every single Babe Ruth parent knew that it was this city council that decided a "pie in the sky" waterpark was much better for the city than ball fields and a nature park.

I really hope you reconsider what you believe the priorities are when you cast a vote "behind closed doors" since nobody can be present in the room! Every single person who votes to fund the water park will be voted out of office at the next election, that is a guarantee! I am not sure whose numbers the council is looking at that says a waterpark for this much money is wanted...but I promise you the electorate is NOT BEHIND YOU!!!

Finish what Tracy started!!! Finish Legacy!!!!

Thanks,

Rob Simmons
Tracy Little League (Manager and Parent)

From: Rosalie Gwerder [REDACTED]
Sent: Saturday, August 15, 2020 3:34 PM
To: Tracy City Council <tracycitycouncil@cityoftracy.org>
Subject: Legacy Fields

Hello Council Members-

My name is Rosalie Gwerder and I live at [REDACTED] Tracy CA 95376.

I am writing you today for my voice to be heard! I understand that you will be discussing Measure V in the upcoming Special Board Meeting and how the funds will be allocated for planned projects. Additionally, I know the water park has been a topic of discussion because the ultimate price tag is much more than the city can afford.

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I want to thank you for your consideration and look forward to seeing improvements at Legacy Fields!

Sincerely,

Rosalie Gwerder

Tracy Little League Board Member and Parent

From: Sali Graham [REDACTED]
Sent: Tuesday, August 18, 2020 2:21 PM
To: Robert Rickman <Robert.Rickman@cityoftracy.org>; Nancy Young <Nancy.Young@cityoftracy.org>; Dan Arriola <Dan.Arriola@cityoftracy.org>; Rhodesia Ransom <rhodesia.ransom@cityoftracy.org>; Veronica Vargas <veronica.vargas@cityoftracy.org>; Customer Service <CustomerService@cityoftracy.org>; Web - Parks <Parks@cityoftracy.org>; Web - City Manager <CM@cityoftracy.org>
Subject: Legacy Fields

Dear Mayor & City Council Members:

I am writing to express my concern about the incomplete project that is Legacy Fields and the logic, or lack thereof, of the City Leaders.

I moved to Tracy a few years ago and was excited when my son began to play Little League - until we spent time at Legacy Fields. The place is an embarrassment to the City of Tracy and its Leaders, as it shows a complete lack of regard for the thousands of kids & families it serves.

The dirt & gravel parking lot is awful and abrasive on our vehicles. The entire place is a dirty, dusty, muddy mess, with disgusting porta-potties..... Not the place I want to spend time with my family enjoying a baseball game. It's a shameful and poor representation of Tracy.

It makes no sense to begin other projects, before you complete what you have already started. I implore you to COMPLETE Legacy Fields! Simple. Finish what you started!

Kind Regards,
Sali Graham

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Friday, August 14, 2020 4:19 PM
To: Tracy City Council <tracycitycouncil@cityoftracy.org>
Subject: Legacy Fields

Hello Council Members-

My name is Scott Delbridge, [REDACTED], Tracy CA, 95377

I am writing you today for my voice to be heard! I understand that you will be discussing Measure V in the upcoming Special Board Meeting and how the funds will be allocated for planned projects. Additionally, I know the water park has been a topic of discussion because the ultimate price tag is much more than the city can afford.

Since the late 1980's, the vision to build a sports field has been a primary focus for the council. Decades later, Legacy Fields was born but has yet to be completed. The vision for all youth sports to be primarily located in one location was created by previous councils and was the dream for many families across Tracy. Please finish what you started! I am asking you to consider a phased approach to all of your projects. The Legacy (East) Fields are mediocre at best and lack many health and safety concerns related to trip hazards, restrooms, concessions, seating and other basic necessities. I too understand the high cost of construction projects and suggest that the Legacy East diamond complex be completed with the same infrastructure and amenities as the West diamond complex. The parking lot needs to be finished and an additional exit has also been discussed. You may also consider phasing the lighting portion of the project due it's additional expense.

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I want to thank you for your consideration and look forward to seeing improvements at Legacy Fields!

Sincerely,

Scott Delbridge

Tracy Little League Vice President

-----Original Message-----

From: Theresa Soto [REDACTED]
Sent: Tuesday, August 18, 2020 3:06 PM
To: Public Comment <publiccomment@cityoftracy.org>
Subject: Measure V Funds

Dear City Council,

My children are active in many sports in town. They play on this baseball field for few years now at Legacy Fields in poor conditions. They also have played soccer at Legacy. They've played basketball, gymnastics, karate and are on the Tracy Tritons Swim team. So we are very familiar with the amenities or lack there of for youth sports in town. Council needs to take responsibility for finishing Legacy Fields. It is irresponsible not to. I don't think I have to remind you this will generate revenue for our city. Does not make any sense to start another project, swimming pool or the aquatic center which would not be completed for maybe four years. In the meantime we could be generating revenue for Tracy and providing families with an adequate baseball facility. It's muddy most of the season, there's nowhere to sit, no concession stand and inadequate bathroom facilities. Let's complete legacy fields. Why start a new project when existing projects are sitting in unfinished conditions? Then let's continue with the swim center and down the road add more features to the Aquatic center. Had legacy fields not been removed from priority list and With Covid, we could have taken advantage (with no sports during this time) to pave the parking lots and road, the restrooms, etc. Council-I encourage you to do the right thing finish legacy fields. It is shovel ready. Thank you.

Theresa Soto

From: Todd Lieberg [REDACTED]
Sent: Saturday, August 15, 2020 11:48:29 AM
To: Public Comment <publiccomment@cityoftracy.org>
Cc: Todd Lieberg [REDACTED]
Subject: Public Comment in re: to the Tuesday, August 18, 2020, NOTICE OF SPECIAL MEETING, item #4, UPDATE ON MEASURE V REVENUE PROJECTIONS AND MEASURE V FUNDED PROJECTS, AUTHORIZE AND PROVIDE STAFF DIRECTION.

I am a strong supporter of an Aquatic Center for the City of Tracy.

We are a swim family: both my kids swam for the Tracy Tritons for 10 years; they both swam in High School, and played Water Polo in High School; I was on the Board of the Tritons for 3 years and served as the President of the Tritons for one year; and I have been the Girls Water Polo coach at Tracy High School for several years.

The Council needs to invest in the City of Tracy; the citizens of Tracy; and the children of Tracy. Don't look at the expenditure of funds for an Aquatics Center as a cost; look at it as a long-term investment that will benefit generations of children.

That being said, recognizing the current financial situation the City is in, and the unknown long-term outlook for the COVID pandemic, I don't believe the City should commit the entire Measure V fund to the Aquatic Center.

The Aquatic Center should be one piece of the Measure V expenditures.

There are enough funds now to start an Aquatic Center, and as additional funds become available, additional amenities can be added on at a later date.

I recommend the Council expedite the Aquatic Center project by phasing the design and construction of certain aquatic elements, but begin construction immediately of what we have funds for now. However, I do not believe the City should commit the entire Measure V fund to the Aquatic Center.

Todd Lieberg
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]