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Dear Council members, regards to you. When the Sonoma County Director of Regional Parties was lobbying people to vote for the Measure M tax increase he repeatedly invoked the terms "these funds will be used to help Roseland which needs more parks."

Now your presentation here seems more about helping contractors doing contracts with the city for Capital Improvements Projects and less so doing the maintenance which is so sorely needed on many parks. Southwest Community Park comes to mind where more recreational needs could be met. Such as more basketball courts, more soccer fields and new volleyball courts. Less than 1% of the city residents responded to your surveys and it appears the results are more skewed towards what staff wants to do than what the community actually needs.

Southwest Community Park would be an excellent opportunity for the city to work with Bellevue Unified School District and Roseland Public Schools District to have a Joint use agreement to provide more sports fields for our disadvantaged youth. Now it the time to step away from the same old business as usual approach and actually help the most deserving youth in our city. The kids in our underserved and overburdened neighborhoods near Southwest Community Park.

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