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Δεαρ Παρκ ανδ Ρεχ,

Ιτ ηας ρεχεντλψ μψ χομε το μψ αττεντιον τηατ τηε Λυχχασι φιελδ ρετυρφινγ προφεχτ μιγητ βε πυτ ον ηολδ ορ επεν χανχελλεδ. Μψ σον γοεσ το Λομα ζιστα αχροσσ τηε στ ρεετ ανδ παρτιχιπατεσ ιν αλοτ ιφ αχτιπιτιεσ ον τηατ φιελδ. Ι σεε τηατ τηε γρουπ οβφε χτινγ το τηις προφεχτ ωαντσ α γρασσ φιελδ ανδ Ι φεαρ τηατ ωουλδ βε α ηυγε μιστακε . Φινανχιαλλψ πυττινγ ιν γρασσ ανδ τγε ιρριγατιον φορ ιτ ις ωαψ οπερ τηε τυρφ βυδγ ετ ανδ ιτ ις αλσο α λοτ οφ μαιντενανχε ανδ ωατερ υσαγε επερψ ψεαρ. I are not dismissing the environmental concerns on either side of the argument but the turf needs replacing now. The city should move forward with the project now so that the field stays safe and ALL the activities can keep running smoothly. Soccer is growing in Petaluma, now is not the time to stop a project that keeps a well-used turf field in safe, usable condition. Turf allows our kids to have access to fields year-round. If that field was grass half of my son's and others activities would have been cancelled. Personally I think turf is safer because there are not gopher holes that pop up out of no where and cause twisted ankles. This turf has allows a lot of sports to expand and youth to play more outside year round. Please move forward with the proposed project and re turf the surface.

Thank you so much for all you do.

- Laura

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Laura Oswald