

Hi, I'm Larry Ames, longtime park- and community advocate.

I request that the City *expand* its polling on Parks to evaluate the community's priorities on how to best address the issues of Infrastructure Backlog and the *equitable* and *financial* sustainability of the Park System.

Hope you've received our letter that outlines our concerns.

The City has a \$600 M backlog, and *commercializing* parks will **not** address a *need* of this magnitude and still *meet* the City's *obligation* to its residents to *maintain* our Quality of Life.

Great cities have great parks.
Don't pawn our crown jewels.

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