

Taylor Day

From: Jensen-Elizabeth Near [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, November 30, 2022 3:23 PM
To: Public Comments
Subject: Lights for Memorial Park Basketball park

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To Whom it May Concern:

The recent updates to memorial park are amazing, but it seems like one detail was missed: fancy lights for pickleball-- nothing but darkness for the basketball court. I am a part of the vibrant basketball community up in GV. We have a group of nearly 50 people who participate in pick-up games at Condon and Memorial park multiple times a week. These players range from 16 all the way to a few in their early 60s. With the recent time change, playing during the week has become impossible for anyone working a 9-5 job.

I would ask that the city council consider putting lights on the court. There are multiple contractors within the basketball community who have said they will help at a discounted rate; we could host a basketball tournament to help raise funds--the only obstacle to this happening is any potential red tape that we need the council's help with!

Thank you,
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Subject: Lights for Basketball Court at Memorial Park

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Hello City Council Members,

I am resident of the unincorporated area of Grass Valley and a member of a thriving basketball group. We often play every weekday after work until the sun goes down at Memorial Park. Many of us are also part of the basketball league run by Rich at the Vets Memorial Hall.

I speak for everyone when I say we absolutely love the new courts and hope more parks in the area adopt the same quality construction. We used to play at Condon but these new courts quickly replaced it.

During the winter months and daylight savings our time to play is often less than 1-2 hours which makes things difficult for us.

We were hoping that the city would consider adding lights on a timer like they have for the pickleball courts. We've observed these pickleball courts being lit past 8-9 PM. It would appear that the underground electrical is already there so the trenching would be minimal and would just require the equipment.

Several of the group members are tradespeople who have volunteered their labor for free if that would help. Others of us are willing to donate money for the materials.

I truly hope the city council will consider this as all we are asking for is parity with the pickleball community.

Respectfully,
Michael Angelillo
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Michael Angelillo, CPA, MHA

Taylor Day

From: Louie Costanzo [REDACTED]
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To: Public Comments
Subject: Lighting for memorial basketball court

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Hello. My name is Louie Costanzo. I've been a member of the basketball community in Grass Valley for almost a decade. We have quite the community between rec league three nights a week and the parks. We are ecstatic over the new court at memorial park and are enjoying it so much. Our only question is why we didn't get any lights? Once time change happens we hardly get to use the courts. We've obviously noticed the pickle ball courts lit up until about 9pm every night and are feeling a little left out. Is there any chance that we could get some lights installed? What if we raised money? We aren't looking for a handout, just an opportunity to play the game we love year round. We're willing to jump through hoops and put in the work if necessary. Thanks for hearing us out! And thank you so much for the new parks! They're beautiful!