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I can't be at the meeting tonight to make comment publicly, but I did want to speak up for the parking change that is being requested for a proposed new gym that I believe is on the next Planning Commission agenda.

I think the staff Memo and quick research is flawed and unfair. To be clear, I don't think it was intentional, but I think some crucial information was missed. Staff suggested that Total Fitness in Payson is the "most comparable" to the proposed new gym.

This suggestion is important as Total Fitness is the only gym of the 4-5 that they looked at where the lot appeared to be full or possibly inadequate at times. The other gyms all had more than enough parking at all times.

What is unfair about this is that the back parking lot for Payson Total Fitness was completely ignored--staff only assessed based on the ~35 spots in front of the gym. There are ~3x as many spots that are generally available behind Total Fitness.

While Staff did note that there was a back lot, they didn't provide any photos or notes on the status of that back lot. The back lot is where our family typically parks -- there is another entrance there and it is just as accessible as the front lot/entrance.

This omission is important because the back lot and its ~80 extra parking spots is being redone and has been ripped out for the past few weeks (see photos from Saturday attached). The congested parking in front of the gym is largely because all of the back parking is unavailable--the gym only has ~1/3 of the parking it usually does. When that lot is available, we have never had an issue finding a parking spot at any time of the day. Once it is repaved and reopened, there are no parking issues.

Even with the construction reduced-parking, every photo of the Total Fitness lot still shows available parking with ~35 spots. I believe the Santaquin proposal is for a gym that is only 75% of that size, but with more than the 35 spots that Total Fitness is using during construction. I think what is being proposed will provide more than sufficient parking, especially when you look at the other comparisons staff provided of gyms with similar parking availability who never have issues with space.

The only gym that had an issue with space was because it did not have enough spaces for its size, and the only reason it did not have the available spaces was because of construction

Thanks for all you do -- miss working with you guys,

*Brad Gunnell*

