

**From:** [Chris Ghione](#)  
**To:** [Craig Van Keulan](#)  
**Cc:** [Michelle Wilson](#); [Angie Gonzalez](#)  
**Subject:** FW: Craig van Keulen, citizen: Comments to PRC workshop re BTPRC Master Plan  
**Date:** Wednesday, June 22, 2016 4:01:31 PM  
**Importance:** High

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Hi Craig,

I am copying Michelle Wilson. Public Comment goes through the City Clerk's Office.

She will help with this.

Thank you,

Chris

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**From:** Craig C. van Keulen [mailto:cvk@vkvklaw.com]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, June 22, 2016 3:59 PM  
**To:** Chris Ghione  
**Subject:** Craig van Keulen, citizen: Comments to PRC workshop re BTPRC Master Plan  
**Importance:** High

Hi Chris,

Please provide this email containing my BTPR Master Plan comments to the councilmembers today for their workshop today.

Thanks, Craig

Dear Councilmembers,

I was in Southern California representing my client in a large class action lawsuit on May 31, 2016, and was unable to attend the May 31, 2016 PRC BTPR Master Plan Workshop.

I did review the materials, and am on the BTPRC Master Plan subcommittee, have attended all other PR Master Plan meetings, and am familiar with the status of the Master Plan and the issues.

Thank you for taking the time to review my comments below.

Craig

Below is my additional input as a citizen, tied to the BTPRC Master Plan Workshop notes from staff.

### **BIKEWAYS AND TRAILS**

Need to add and consider bike routes to Coe Park and Harvey Bear Park to connect.

### **PARKS**

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Need to immediately address unlocking parking lots to public schools on holidays, weekends and summers (i.e. Nordstrom) to allow public safer access to school recreational facilities. May be done pursuant to a joint use agreement or otherwise.

Need to consider installing elevated safety video cameras tied to the police department at all parks with signs advising the public of the cameras for the safety of young mothers and young children, and to reduce incidents of vandalism, and to protect the City.

Need to place signs with emergency contact information, phone numbers, etc... at all parks.

## **FACILITIES**

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### **Regional Sports Facilities**

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Need to make sure all non-profits are in good standing with the Department of Corporations AND the Department of Charitable Institutions, or they are likely really “for profit” organizations, paying high salaries to controlling members/employees, and charging higher rates than necessary to our MH citizens to use their own facilities that their tax dollars have paid for. The higher rates are just going to pay the owners salaries and benefits.

Non-resident individuals and organizations should pay more to use our facilities.

Residents and resident organizations should pay less.

Organizations paying owners who operate or use City facilities (as compared to all volunteer Boy Scout troops, flower clubs, or other completely volunteer organizations) should pay more because they are making money for themselves by using our facilities at low rates and then paying themselves. The higher rates they should be paying would reduce the rates for all volunteer/non-profit residents. Moving to this policy would benefit our MH citizens.

The City should consider taking back over the management of the OSC, as the P & R Dept likely has the infrastructure in place to manage and economies of scale to manage that facility at relatively low cost at this time.

### **Sand Volleyball**

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The City should conduct a demand and cost/benefit study first to determine the actual demand for Sand Volleyball Tournaments in Morgan Hill with its geographically isolated user population, as compared to other venues that might be experiencing demand but are really serving a much larger local population.

Then the City should build maybe two sand volleyball courts near the aquatics center and see what the actual demand is, and what issues surface regarding the sand volleyball courts in a controlled environment from a maintenance and management standpoint.

### **Aquatic Facility**

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City should also explore a joint use agreement with Sobrato High School.

### **Diamond Fields**

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I think that Diamond Fields should be managed by the City allowing the City to achieve greater economies of scale and uniformity of management and use.

### **Villa Mira Monte**

The City should partner with MHHS to develop an historical archive for the City of MH including pictures and documents that reflect the history of MH and the important milestones in its growth. These pictures and documents could be displayed throughout the City facilities and at Villa Mira Monte.

### **Changes to existing parks and facilities**

The development of a more vibrant use of the Friendly Inn would help improve the use of the facility as well as the entire area.

Continue to improve senior use of facilities. Developing additional senior use at the Friendly Inn would improve the facility and surrounding area, and increase overall use.

### **Senior Services**

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No further comment

### **PROGRAMMING**

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Increase senior and community programming at Galvan Park. This would improve the GP environment and increase citizen use.

Develop Bocce Ball and Lawn Bowling Leagues to increase community use of facilities, including Galvan Park.

Produce free country and blue grass live music (and other similar events) at Galvan Park to attract seniors and other community members.

Thank you for your time,

Craig C. van Keulen

**From:** [Chris Ghione](#)  
**To:** [Michelle Wilson](#)  
**Subject:** FW: Bike Trails  
**Date:** Wednesday, June 22, 2016 5:01:45 PM

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-----Original Message-----

From: John Baty  
Sent: Wednesday, June 22, 2016 4:47 PM  
To: Chris Ghione  
Subject: FW: Bike Trails

FYI...

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From: Matt Reggiardo [<mailto:matchr2@gmail.com>]  
Sent: Wednesday, June 22, 2016 4:45 PM  
To: John Baty  
Subject: Bike Trails

Hi John

I will not have the time to make today's 5:30 workshop.

Would you make this suggestion for me as community input. My thought is a bike /pedestrian path starting from Burnett ave.

connecting to Peebles ave and continuing south to Madrone Parkway. This would aide those who live in that sector by not having to route over to Monterey RD.

this would connect over to Cochrane where there are areas for shopping.

Just a suggestion.

Thank You

Matt Reggiardo

Sent from my iPhone