

PRC Meeting

May 1, 2025

Written Communications

From: [Santosh Rao](#)
To: [City of Cupertino Parks and Recreation Commission](#); [Colleen Ferris](#); [Alex Corbalis, CPRP](#); [Rachelle Sander](#); [Tina Kapoor](#)
Subject: Table tennis dedicated area at CSC.
Date: Wednesday, April 30, 2025 8:57:02 AM

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[Writing on behalf of myself only, as a Cupertino resident and CSC member]

Please include the below in written communications for the 05/01/25 parks and rec meeting.

Dear Chair Swamy and Parks and Rec Commission,

I urge you to direct parks and rec staff to explore a dedicated table tennis section in the basement area of Cupertino Sports Center.

Table tennis is an extremely popular sport in the Asian and Indian community. Evidence of this is found in the Cupertino Senior Center where one can see the crowds that the table tennis section draws. We have limited table tennis in the basement area of CSC. However we do not have the full potential of the space utilized.

I urge the parks and rec commission to work with staff to fully utilize the basement section of the Cupertino Sports Center to maximize the table tennis usage in the area. I further encourage you to start up table tennis classes for kids and youth in the section at certain times like weekends and weekday early evenings.

I further encourage the commission to consider working with economic development to encourage the opening of table tennis zones in vacant retail and/or hotels that could use retail. Table tennis is extremely popular. I urge you to visit ICC Milpitas table tennis center to witness the tremendous draw of table tennis as a sport.

Thank you for making a concerted effort to expand table tennis in Cupertino and at the Cupertino Sports Center and potentially other locations in the city via economic development.

Thanks,
Santosh Rao

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Item #3

Parks and Recreation
Department Indoor Facility
Rentals

From: [Santosh Rao](#)
To: [City of Cupertino Parks and Recreation Commission](#); [Rachelle Sander](#)
Subject: 05/01/25 Parks and Rec Commission - Fees for facility rentals.
Date: Thursday, May 1, 2025 9:37:40 AM

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[Writing on behalf of myself only, as a Cupertino resident.]

Please include the below in written communications.

Dear Parks and Rec Commission and staff,

I am writing about agenda item 3 on the 05/01/25 parks and rec commission meeting on indoor facility rentals.

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I urge the commission and staff to lower fees for residents and offset by raising the fees on non-residents and non-resident non-profits. I further urge the commission and staff to do likewise on all parks and rec programs, classes and memberships. The premium charged to non-residents is minimal today. The city is under no obligation to be subsidizing non-residents. Fee increases have been passed on equitably to residents and non-residents. Parks and rec popular offerings have seen increasing surge of demand. Please ask for metrics on residents vs non-residents for all usage of facilities, memberships, classes, camps. Perhaps you might observe a large % of non-residents consume our resources and facilities while paying a negligible premium.

I urge you to make residents the first and primary mission, priority and focus of parks and rec and use non-residents to subsidize residents and resident non-profits.

Please raise prices on non-residents and non-resident non-profits steeply and lower prices on residents on all parks and rec offerings, not just indoor facility rentals.

In particular **the city should not be under any obligation whatsoever to subsidize all the non-profits from any address how so ever far it may be outside Cupertino and offer them significant discounts compared to Cupertino residents.** There are no limits on these non-resident non-profits such as within a 3 mile radius outside the boundaries of Cupertino city. Why should the city offer steep discounts to, say, an Oakland or Richmond or Hayward or Fremont or Sacramento non-profit at prices steeply lower than for Cupertino residents.

I urge all of you to act swiftly with urgency to immediately lower prices on Cupertino residents and raise prices on non-residents and non-resident non-profits.

I further implore you to re-order your priority groups. Group 2 should be Cupertino residents. Group 3 should be non-resident non-profits.

Nowhere is this pricing and non-resident overload on city resources more egregious than popular parks and rec events such as the Halloween and holiday events the city puts up. These are inundated with non-residents and residents cannot get in. I know plenty of families including mine that could not get into the Halloween event last year because it was overrun by non-residents.

Let's also please keep advance bookings open to residents only on popular events like Halloween and holiday festivals and open to non-residents only a day or two before the events or only as walk-in if available and if not already fully booked up by residents.

Thank you for making Cupertino residents the first and primary focus for parks and rec and non-residents should bear a steep premium to subsidize residents.

Thank you for reading and acting on behalf of the interests of Cupertino residents primarily rather than subsidizing non-residents.

Thanks,
San Rao
Cupertino resident and voter
(Writing on behalf of myself only)

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Item #4

Commissioner Discussion on
Senior Services

ATTACHMENT A

Final FY 2025-2027 City Work Program

| # | Project Title | Project Description | Est budget (Not including staff costs) | Project Size | Lead Department(s) | Estimated Timeline |
|----|---|--|---|--------------|--------------------|--|
| 6 | Enhance Senior Services | <p>6.1 Due to the high cost of senior centers, many seniors have to "age in place", but do still need services typically provided in senior centers, in addition to common home maintenance.</p> <p>6.2 Utilizing the survey results conducted in 2022 and 2023 to meet the needs of Cupertino seniors</p> <p>6.3 Consider consultant services similar to Palo Alto or Saratoga Senior Center to enhance services, while reducing cost to the city.</p> <p>NOTE: Cupertino Age-Friendly could make a presentation on the result of 2023 survey, in collaboration with the city staff.</p> <p>NOTE: Successful Aging Solutions & Community Consulting (SASCC), who runs the Saratoga Senior Center could provide a free gap analysis and feasibility analysis</p> | \$65,000 | Large | Parks & Recreation | Year 1 start Year 2 end |
| 7 | City Properties: Planning for Optimal Use | Future planning strategies for Stockmeir house/garages, Blech House, Blue Pheasant. Goal of judicial use of city-owned properties. Investigate potential purchase of CUSD Finch/Phil property. Include the McClellan Barn and the house at the entrance of Blackberry Farm. | \$200,000 | Medium | Public Works | Year 1 start Year 2 end |
| 8 | 5G Ordinance | Prepare an ordinance that regulates small cellular facilities in the public right of way. | \$0 | Small | Public Works | Year 1 |
| 9 | Emergency Operations Readiness | Review fire, earthquake tornado, active shooter, Tsunami, hazardous transport accident policies; and ensure EOC is active and functioning with a permanent position not consultant running the program. | \$40,000 | Medium | Parks & Recreation | Year 1 start Beyond for completion. |
| 10 | Urban Forest Program | Create an Urban Forest Master Plan that includes an updated and expanded tree list which will increase the number of trees, enhance the City's tree canopy, and promote landscaping throughout the City. | \$250,000 (\$110,000 is already allocated for the tree list item under the current CWP. Acct: 750-235) | Medium | Public Works | Year 1 start Year 2 end |