

Conceptional Sports and Recreation Complex Site Plan Comments

- Broadcasting Capabilities
- Drainage for the East side of the basketball courts
- Why not put the nature area on the North end since there are houses there?
- Pickleball Suggestions:
 - Need parking at least 30 spaces close to courts Valpo has more than 40 active players
 - Need to consult w USA pickleball Assn. RE:
 - A. Lighting – Indirect-not overhead
 - B. Surface easily drained and cleaned (Squeegees for water-Fabric like tennis)
 - C. Court spacing at least 8’ in between and at the ends
 - D. Permanent or easily repaired lines – they wear
 - E. High quality permanent in place nets
 - F. Availability of lockbox for equipment and balls for new players
 - G. Chairs or benches for geriatrics (me)
 - H. Hangers for coats and bags
 - I. Spectator stands and staging area for Tournament Direction
 - J. Restrooms
 - Simple non-insulated Enclosure
 - A. No Wind
 - B. No Rain
 - C. All of the above except squeegee
 - D. Vending machines
 - E. No Noise
- Too much pickleball?
- We just moved into one of the 2 homes on the north end of this planned site. Please consider us and the peace and quiet we’ve come to love. A larger buffer between the sports fields, nature trails walking paths. There are other viable sites for this that wouldn’t disturb residents who made the choice to live rural residential
- I think there should be a playground by the baseball and softball fields
- Natural Landscaping buffer on Eastern Boundary for Meadowbrook -Don’t rely on chain link fence
 - Sound reduction
 - Visibility
- Watershed Study -published to nearby residents
- Interim progress reports and updates/changes to scope of work/Master Plan-Published to Community
- Dim/natural lighting on walking trails
- Traffic Study for 400 N
 - Impact of Amazon
 - Impact of increased visitor traffic
- No Cell towers please



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- So far great job of keeping the natural beauty of the area behind Meadowbrook. Please help us keep our peace and beauty
- 5G should be a min.
- We don't want busy intersection, noise, lights, extra people. When we moved to escape that. You are planning to do this in people's backyards (and you never asked for input/suggestions) Valpo could spend the money elsewhere or on the only 15 parks that are not used.
- Firehouse
- Public Services
- Annexation
- Security
- Connect existing pathways to new facilities
- Consider distribution of concessions around all active areas (soccer, outdoor courts, Ect.)
- Restrooms on southside of park also
- Play area (Maybe a small playground) closer to softball and baseball fields for siblings to play at during games
- Lights on paths, courts, and fields
- Tennis courts-not just pickleball
- 5G Towers 800-1000 ft from homesteads
- Disc golf can be a minimally invasive addition to the walking trails and wooded area. As the sport grows so can potential for bigger tournaments (and economic boost to city!)
- Create a monarch butterfly waystation
 - Plant milkweed
 - Don't use chemicals
 - Use native plants
- Don't plant any invasive pear trees
- Burlington Beach and 49 intersection is already very dangerous and needs to be addressed BEFORE opening and increased traffic! We live in area and continuous semi-trucks/cars blow through intersection already.
- Love lots of pickleball courts, finally a "quality" pickleball facility
- Need several inside pickleball courts too
- Make the indoor dome to accommodate for travel softball/baseball games (field needs to be bigger than t-ball sized field)
- Respect the Meadowbrook neighborhood by keeping sports fields as far away as possible to the northwest. Looks good on this plan, thank you.
- MORE LAND
- MORE SOCCER FIELDS
- Add privacy landscape for Meadowbrook community, so park is not in their backyard
- No FENCING PLEASE
- Keep building as far away from chicken farm to the east, as possible. No bright lights in parking lots.



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- Consider nighttime black out to keep light pollution away from WT community
- Valpo Lacrosse Club would love and NEEDS indoor turf to support our insanely growing program
- Video and broadcasting capabilities
- This is a much-needed development for Valpo. It would make a big economic impact, please build soon! **Agree
- Valpo desperately needs indoor pickleball courts. The YMCA is overrun by BB so pickleball time is very hard to get.
- INDOOR HOCKEY RINK!! We do NOT need 10,000 basketball courts
- Cater to the needs that are not met in the community already
- As a resident living in the northern end of the site plan, I am concerned with noise/light levels, however with a thick enough tree line (150 Ft) these concerns will be minimized
- Softball/baseball dome is a must for this area. There are a lot of travel teams with nowhere to practice indoors.
- 2 stories- if a track, also additional space to use for additional practice/misc. use- batting cages, training, etc.
- Space- dome or otherwise) for indoor softball/baseball is much needed and could be huge revenue source
- Much needed development- keep as much “quiet green space” as possible too!
- Concession stands
- Volleyball courts
- Separation walls/nets between hardwood courts
- Pool
- Starbucks
- Spaces need to be inclusive and accessible to individuals with any disability
- Flat slab of concrete for bikes, roller skates/blades and skateboards
- Archery range
- Benches throughout
- Golf driving range
- Indoor pickleball, how about all-season& heated, dedicated PB courts (see picture in Holly Hill, FL)
- 12-16 Courts would be ideal for hosting small tournaments. Would allow for more open play time which is the heart of the pickleball community. The YMCA offers 2-3 courts for open play and it is never enough space for the number of people that show up. Following USA pickle recommendations for court spacing is an absolute must do. Pickleball is an accessible sport as wheelchair
- Players can play in the same game as the non-wheelchair players by allowing them two bounces instead of one. Or ½ of the courts covered ½ outdoors.



Open house Voting results:

Select 2 Indoor Facilities

Hardwood Courts- 12 votes

- Basketball and Pickleball surfaces are not the same, many injuries occur!!

Full Sized Ice Rink-26 votes

- Indoor Floor Hockey- 2 votes

Walking Track-1 vote

- Outdoor not flat not straight

200m Event Track-1 vote

Multipurpose Flex Space-11 votes

What did we miss suggestions:

- Showers facilities a must
- Dance, Cheer/gymnastics, Yoga are all separate sports that need their own unique and individualized spaces. Must look in to proper flooring, equipment, supplies, ect for each sport. Must hire staff with that specializes in each sport or unsuccessful programs will be run.
- Nerf Room
- Outdoor Pool
- Laser Tag Room
- Pool- I do not need 2 ice fields
- Archery Range
- Indoor Turf
- Starbucks
- Trampoline Park
- Volleyball Courts
- Pool, with a slide maybe
- Skate Rink (Derby)