

**PUBLIC COMMENT
FROM JUNE 1, 2020
CITY COUNCIL
MEETING**

Martinez, Ruben

From: City Web
Sent: Saturday, May 30, 2020 12:01 PM
To: Public Comment; City_Council
Subject: Public Comment for Meeting on June 1, 2020 about Agenda Item 21B

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Name: Paul Little - **Email:** **Address:**
Pasadena Chamber of **Phone:** Ave, Pasadena, CA
Commerce

Comments:

I want to commend and thank staff from Planning and Development, Public Health and Transportation for the time, effort, thoughtfulness and speed with which they have been working to create rules, regulations, protocols and processes to quickly allow local businesses to re-open safely.

I fully support their work and the proposals they have made to help Pasadena businesses re-open.

City staff in all departments have embraced the seriousness of the current pandemic, the impact Safer at Home has had on our residents and businesses and worked to mitigate impacts wherever possible.

Thank you all.

Consent given to read my comments out loud: Yes

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Name: Gene Wester, **Email:** **Address:** Pasadena, California
PhD

Comments:

Please keep the Rose-Bowl Loop car free. The Arroyo Seco is a regional treasure ideally suited for recreation and exercise. Imagine if people could safely spread out along the Rose Bowl Loop.

The decision to re-open it to vehicular traffic after only 5 days was premature. Local residents and motorists will quickly notice road accessibility changes, but most Pasadenans only learn of changes through various news sources. Pasadena must aggressively announce the opening of a car-free Rose-Bowl Loop and then allow sufficient time for news to trickle throughout the community before success or failure can be evaluated. If you allow it (car-free recreation), we WILL come!

It has been said “those who want to do something will find a way, those who don’t will find an excuse.” The reasons given for allowing cars in the Loop seem like flimsy excuses. Recent cost claims infer that allocating the entire roadway for active exercise is prohibitively more expensive than letting cars speed next to humans, Nonsense! Also, we do not believe 24x7 surveillance is required without cars, if not required with cars. Put on your thinking caps, and find a creative way to make the Loop car-free. Our health and safety depend on it.

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Name:	Email:	Phone: ..	Address:
Salvador Vazquez			1, South Pasadena, CA

Comments:

Since the city has allowed businesses to re-open such as salons and in-person dining. I'd like to resurface the option of opening the Oak Grove Disc Golf course.

The disc golf course provides many with an avenue of exercise, activity, and overall benefit to a healthy well being. Many in the community do not understand how operations such as salons and in-person dining can resume but not the disc golf course. Primarily since the resumed operations pose a higher risk by being in close quarters to others. On the other hand, the disc golf course is in an open air environment. Surrounding cities have re-opened access to their courses i'd like to share with you guidelines in place in other areas that allow for the activity:

Do not play in groups larger than 4

Maintain physical distancing - minimum of 6 feet

Do not touch another player's disc or bag

Do not share anything

Any player within 10 feet of the basket is to pick up their disc.

Discs landing inside the basket are to be removed before the following player has a chance to advance the basket.

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Limit contact with the basket as much as possible.

Do not congregate after rounds

Thanks for your consideration,

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Name: Ben Planchon **Address:** Los Angeles, CA 90027

Comments:

Please time replacing the baskets at the historic Oak Grove Disc Golf course such that they are up and ready when the area is re-opened for recreation and exercise. Please consider guidelines for safe play put in place by other disc golf courses and recreational areas: No large groups (limit of 2 - 4 per card); maintain distance and wear face covering; no "high fives" or such with actual contact; no picking up others' discs; either forgo putts or put one-at-a-time only, immediately removing disc from basket prior to next player's attempt. (Not necessarily an exclusive list.)

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Name: Caroline Murrey
Email: [REDACTED]
Phone: [REDACTED]
Address: [REDACTED] Ave, Pasadena, CA [REDACTED]

Comments:

I would like the city to take steps toward re-installing the disc golf baskets at Hahamongna Park. The other disc golf courses in the area have been open for play with the players wearing masks and social distancing. The players have been able to police themselves in regards to wearing masks, keeping their distance, and playing in small groups.

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Name: Jon Burdett **Address:** Pasadena, CA 91001

Comments:

Oak Grove Disc Golf course opening. Based on all of the recent research, being outdoors makes for a very low risk of Covid-19 transmission, and the transmission from surfaces is also negligible due to the shortened lifetime of the virus in sunlight. As long as social distancing and masks are still required, disc golf is significantly lower risk than may other activities that are already open.

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Name:	Email:	Phone:	Address:
Matus Sobolic		n	Altadena, CA

Comments:

Please re open the disc golf course. It is not a contact sport and It is very easy to avoid contact with others all while maintaining appropriate social distancing. It's one of the few things keeping people sane right now. Golf courses and hiking trails are open we can comply with the same rules and there will be no issues

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Name: Richard Garcia **Email:** **Phone:** **Address:** Pasadena, CA

Comments:

Please allow the frisbee golf course to re-open. It is a noncontact sport and we as adults are willing and capable to abide by any and all rules that will help us to play safely.

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Name: Daniel Lawlor
Email: [redacted]
Phone: [redacted]
Address: [redacted] Ave, Pasadena, CA

Comments:

I am writing in support of the opening of the Oak Grove Disc Golf Course at Hahamongna Watershed Park. As the first disc golf course in the country this course is an historic and valuable part of Pasadena. The Oak Grove Disc Golf Club has been discussing ways to open the course with social distancing measures in place. These guidelines are based off of other courses in Southern California that are now open and operating safely. These courses include: El Dorado Park in Long Beach, Huntington Beach Disc Golf Course, Sylmar Disc Golf Course, Kit Carson in Escondido, and De Bell Disc Golf Course in Burbank among many others.

Some of the proposed guidelines include:

- Physical distancing of 6 feet
- Maximum 4 players per grouping
- Only one disc in a basket at a time
- No touching of other player's equipment
- No congregating in parking lot after play

The OGDC and its members would be happy to implement any other guidelines as suggested by the City of Pasadena in order to safely reopen our beloved disc golf course. Thank you.

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Name: Scott **Address:** Pasadena, CA 91106

Comments:

Please engage with the community towards a reopening of the disc golf course in Hahamonga Park. Almost all nearby municipalities have successfully reopened their disc golf courses cautiously and safely. The course is a piece of local and international history. It deserves to be reopened at this time. Thank you for your time.

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Name:	Email:	Phone:	Address:
Howard Tan			

Comments:

Hello, I am the president of the Oak Grove Disc Golf Club and I am a district 1 resident. I have been in contact with Kenny James in the Parks Department, and we have discussed the reopening of the Oak Grove disc golf course. I feel that the city has a good enough plan to address the concerns of the spread of COVID19 in our disc golf course. Please allow the public to find peace of mind by re-opening the Oak Grove disc golf course. Thank you for your ongoing efforts during this time of crisis. Your leadership really means a lot for our safety as citizens. Thank you.

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Name: Chris Siraganian **Email:** **Phone:** **Address:** Road, Pasadena, California

Comments:

Dear Council Members,

I am writing in favor of re-opening the Oak Grove Disc golf Course. I would like to remind the council that Disc Golf is not a team sport, involving no contact with other players or their equipment. You play in the open air and can play while adhering to the social distancing guidelines; similar to how golf has been played at Brookside over the last month. Others have also pointed out additional guidelines that other open courses in the area have established to help make the game safer during this time. Disc golf is a lower risk activity compared to many operations that have opened over the last weeks.

Thank your considerations and service in our community.

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Name: Michael Sorich **Email:** **Phone:** **Address:** Burbank, CA

Comments:

It would be greatly appreciated if the City of Pasadena would reopen Oak Grove disc Golf course. 70% of all the facilities that have Disc Golf in California are now open with precautions. Oak Grove is a legendary course that people travel to play from many places, enriching local merchants. We would appreciate it being reopened soon!

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