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Subject: RE: Wellfield Park - Soccer Fields

From: Kelly Michaels <kmichaels@venicefl.gov>
Sent: Friday, April 22, 2022 8:51 AM
To: Mercedes Barcia <mbarcia@venicefl.gov>
Subject: FW: Wellfield Park - Soccer Fields

Here are the items for Dr. Fiedler's May 10th presentation "agenda item"

From: Mitzie Fiedler <MFiedler@Venicefl.gov>
Sent: Friday, April 22, 2022 8:26 AM
To: Kelly Michaels <kmichaels@venicefl.gov>
Subject: Fwd: Wellfield Park - Soccer Fields

Good morning, Kelly,
Could you please place Mr. Jarvis on our May 10th agenda under presentation? I estimate it will be a 10-minute presentation with Q&A to follow. Please attach the above. Mr. Jarvis' phone number is in his email.
Thank you,
Mitzie

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From: David Jarvis <dkjarvis13@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, April 19, 2022 12:42:58 PM
To: Mitzie Fiedler <MFiedler@Venicefl.gov>
Subject: Fwd: FW: Wellfield Park - Soccer Fields

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Dear Mrs. Fiedler, we need your help!

My name is David Jarvis, the President of the Venice Soccer Club (also known as VAYSA). We are a non-profit organization that has been servicing the youth of Venice since 1978. We have been leasing the soccer fields at Venice Wellfield Park for several years now, and have worked well with Sarasota County on maintenance strategies for the fields. As you know, our community is growing quickly, and particularly the volume of youth moving into the area. We feel local athletic organizations are an important part of this growing community. Our soccer club currently services over 500 kids, and we anticipate this to continue to increase this coming year.

The soccer field conditions at Wellfield Park have reached an irreparable level...where there is no amount of maintenance that will restore these fields to good conditions. As you'll see in some of the pictures, some areas of the fields are no longer safe conditions. We learned in our meeting with Sarasota County that our fields are infested with Nematodes (aka roundworms) that are causing severe damage to the durability of the grass.

Our fields need the appropriate capital improvements done as quickly as possible. We are asking all of you to help correct these field conditions so our youth have a safe place to play the sport they love.

I've attached a presentation we put together (Venice Soccer - Wellfield Field Help), providing stats and the state of the fields. I've also attached some history in case you need any of that.

Also, I personally work in the construction industry, and have several contacts that provide quality work. I've asked an excavation company and sod company to survey the fields and help provide some cost effective quotes on what it would take to restore these fields. I know there is a lot of due diligence that must be done before any capital improvement can be made...but I'm offering up myself to help you with cost effective solutions as you consider investing the money needed to renovate these fields. As soon as I receive those quotes back, I can share those with you as well.

Time is of the essence...we need you to step up and help us with this need.

Sincerely,

David Jarvis

Venice Soccer Club (VAYSA) - President

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