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Subject: New Rec Center Expenses

Voters should have the right to approve this far more expensive neighborhood rec center than has typically been built in years past. Where is the justification?

Can the City Commission provide hard evidence that 50% or more of taxpayers want their tax dollars spent on this extension of the PLAY project?

Let's be reminded that USD 497 has spent \$20 million plus additional operating expenses on PLAY.

Taxpayers were forced to vote:

- 1. for a sales tax dedicated for the T
- 2. for a sales tax dedicated for road and pot hole maintenance
- 3. for a sales tax dedicated for the library

Taxpayers were avoided on the USD 497 spending of \$20 million for PLAY.

How about empowering the taxpayers to decide if this is how taxpayers want the 1% or 1 cent sales tax NOT necessarily dedicated to the park department spent. This seems extravagant and reckless.

Let the taxpayers decide how reckless we choose to be.

Respectfully, Mr Heckler the taxpayer