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**Subject:** Agenda Item A2 Consent Calendar Parks Commission December 1, 2021

## Dear Mr. Valdez:

Regarding the "Miscellaneous Park Improvements (CIP 9066 & 9108) Agenda Item A2 Consent Calendar Parks and Recreation Commission, I request this Item to be pulled from the Consent Calendar of December 1, 2021 and be placed in the Discussion Calendar.

## The reasons:

The Public Playground Safety Handbook from the US Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC) states on page 36 (5.3.6.5) and page 41(5.3.9 and 5.3.10) regarding "use zones"

The "use zone" at the end of the slide should be at least six feet from the end of the slide and not overlap with the "use zone" of any other equipment.

If adjacent designated play structures exceed a height of 30 inches the minimum distance between the structures should be nine feet.

Use zones should be free of obstacles. It appears that the pathway near the slides, swings and shade structure is narrowed. Please see Fig. 28 page 41 "Use Zones for composite structures".

There is no age separation. 2.2.2 Age separation states "The areas should be separated at least by a buffer zone.....this will reduce the chance of injury from older, more active children running through areas filled with younger children with generally slower movement and reaction times.

Has the Arborist Oked the placement of a structure near the trees? If the ADA walkway was adjusted, why is it that the public is told there is NO written report of why the adjustment was requested.

Please let me know if you received my request and my comments.

Sincerely yours,

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