

Good Morning Commissioners.

I am glad to see the PROS commission moving along to provide the community with more recreational opportunities. You now have two very worthwhile and needed projects. When considering your budget alternatives please consider that parks and recreation has been underfunded for years. This was due to other areas being a priority and also the lack of meaningful projects to be funded. Now that you have the need it is time to get paid back for the years of underfunding.

The water and wastewater funds benefited from loans taken from the General Fund and now is the time to pay some of that money back to fund the PROS projects. I suggest the wastewater fund repay \$100K and the water fund repay \$50K to be budgeted for PROS use in 2021/22. Neither of those funds will be crippled by this payback and PROS certainly deserves the funding.

Outstanding Loan Obligations per the latest audit

Wastewater owes \$579,777

Water owes \$157,726