



Policy 500 | Cougar Field Soccer Goals


2/7/22 to 5/13/22

DATE	COMMENTS
5/13/2022	I have heard there's another proposal for soccer posts off dry creek and while I think recreational activities are great, all these unnecessary community projects do add up. I would prefer the HOA minimizes expenses to prevent increases in our assessments for years to come.
5/13/2022	I would like to strongly voice my opinion against the proposed soccer goal plan. With inflation, skyrocketing property taxes, the sewer assessments, and now a spring storm that caused significant damage to the riparian areas of the neighborhood, it would be fiscally irresponsible for HSTA to approve anything frivolous, let alone something that benefits so few people in HS/CR. In the grand scheme of HSTA's budget, \$6,200 doesn't look like a lot, but it is certainly not an amount that can be "found" in the budget. Given the information I have, I don't see how the soccer plan can proceed without a raise in HOA dues. I am not alone in saying many Hidden Springs residents - ones who have been here at least a couple years - are feeling "nickel-and-dimed" out of the neighborhood. That being said, if the project advocate would like to assume the ENTIRE cost of the project, I have no opinion and the posts/goal can be installed or not.
5/11/2022	Is it possible to see a breakdown of the cost of putting up soccer goals? The advocate needs to give us a number. He is also the one that's getting paid for this project. For full transparency we need an itemized statement to see how much and where the funds are being spent. With a bill coming up for homeowners of \$1,500 - \$1,600 coming up for sewer, money spent on goals is not money well spent.
5/6/2022	I am somewhat in favor of this proposal but I express the following concerns. If the posts are removable, who will be responsible for doing so? If there is a season for soccer, what is it? Soccer is one of those sports that seems to have a year round season these days. The other concern I have is I'd like to see the holes capped when they are not in use so we don't have a tripping hazard for kids playing other sports or dogs. Overall, to me, it seems that this same purpose could be achieved with the types of portable wheeled goals used at Optimist fields. If someone taking the goals is the concern, then perhaps sink some concrete and a chain loop into the ground so goals can be chained down.
4/19/2022	I am not in favor of the removable soccer goals. This park is a multi-use park that often sees dog walkers, little kid soccer, and other folks just enjoying the green open space. Hidden Springs already provides plenty of amenities that other communities use free simply because we cannot police usage of open space. If you build it, they will come and it will ultimately become a soccer field only. I vote no. The greener the spaces in Hidden Springs, the better.

4/13/2022	<p>Thank you for this second opportunity to voice my opinion on this proposal, as I missed the deadline for the first opportunity. After careful consideration of the proposal, and review of other comments, I have to say I am opposed to this project for these reasons:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The proposal serves a limited group of residents, but also neighboring residents outside of Hidden Springs without an adequate plan for monitoring or restricting use. Signage (as we have all seen from how our current signage in Hidden Springs is ignored) is useless. 2. On the surface the intentions of the proposal seem positive, but I think the installation of the soccer goals will give seeming precedence to the soccer activities, pushing out other activities. 3. I have read many comments about this area being referred to as the "dog park" and the "only place in the community where dogs can run around and play "off-leash". It is my understanding that there IS NO DESIGNATED DOG PARK currently in HS. This attitude, for me, only exemplifies how residents want to lay claim to the purpose of the area for what suits their specific interests. This same attitude will become prevalent if the soccer goal posts, even if they are removable, are installed. It is also my understanding that this is an area that is being considered for a designated dog park. Would this then be eliminated from consideration for that potential project? I would rather have a designated dog park so people would stop letting there dogs off leash in other areas of the neighborhood. 4. If they are playing and practicing there now, why are the goal posts needed? Where would the goal post equipment be stored when removed? Can anyone remove them if their activities in the field would benefit from their removal?
4/13/2022	<p>Regarding Policy 500 / Cougar Field Removable Soccer Goals, we, as members of the community who have raised children here, understand wanting to provide the community's children with the best and safest environment that we can. We are in complete support of the soccer goals; what we are not in support of is using our HOA fees to pay for the project. We would like you to consider a community fundraiser to pay for the goals. I am sure that there are plenty of things that groups in the neighborhood with different interests would also like to see HOA funds used for. For example, a larger workout studio with new equipment, a fenced dog park, or more community activities.</p> <p>So in closing, while we support the installation of the goals, we do not support HOA funds paying for the goals. We feel that the goals are a focused benefit to a few community members and that the funds should be put towards projects that would support projects that benefit a more extensive group if the funds are to be spent. Thank you for asking for our thoughts on this, and if you have any questions, please don't hesitate to reach out to us.</p>
4/13/2022	<p>My husband, Mike Kenney, and I are in support of the installation of removable soccer goads in Cougar Field. Our girls played soccer when they were growing up here in Hidden Springs, and we always had to travel far for soccer practice. It will be so nice for the youth in our neighborhood to have a place to practice /play close to home. We are in support of this.</p>
4/13/2022	<p>Seems like a good idea.</p>
4/13/2022	<p>My daughter was involved in the sport of soccer (AYSO, Club, High School, Collegiate, Semi-pro) for nearly ten years, so I appreciate the desire to have goals in a plot of land near us--- what we now call "Dog Park." That said, this is an enormous expense to address a very small sub set of children in our community --and for only 6- 8 months of the year. Children who play soccer (amateur or club) have twice-weekly practices and games on the weekends at established fields equipped for soccer (at our existing tax payer expense). In fact, there are available soccer fields very close to Hidden Springs (Optimist Sports Park); the goals are (usually) installed for the entire season and there are always individuals or small groups using that field during the week. When I first considered this proposal, I wondered if the field would be rented out (as our pools are) to local groups, which would at least cover some of the expense (let alone the wear and tear on the grass there). But, as described, this will just be used for Hidden Springs kids... who, based on needing soccer goals and a small field, do not currently play soccer in any organized group. Note: in the early evenings, including today, I see coaches using Cougar Field (without permission?) for (what looks like) private training. Today, that field is enjoyed by a great number of people who play "catch" and, yes, exercise their dogs. And those expenses are borne by us already through out HOA fees. As sewer and maintenance costs rise, which increase our HOA fees, we need to avoid creating extra expenses for a very small number of residents when many (park) alternatives already exist for them. Therefore, I am against the proposed installation of soccer goals (removable or not) in Cougar Field. Many nearby locations exist for practicing shots, shoot-outs, etc.</p>

4/13/2022	Our position is a definite no to the HOA paying for any part of the soccer goals, as this is not a capital improvement for the whole community. The benefit is only for families wanting a soccer field for themselves and their children. If there is to be any goals for soccer, this should be paid for by those who want it. This was the way the bike area was done. The funding (as noted on the HS website) was by private donations. Another example is the Optimist Park Youth Sport complex, funded by the Boise Noon Optimists, not the city.
4/13/2022	I am a resident of Hidden Springs and I would like to object to this proposal of removable soccer goal posts being added to Cougar Field. When I purchased my home in Hidden Springs I was promised the open areas and trails would remain open and maintained for all of us to use and enjoy. This large open grassy field is a multi-use area for everyone to enjoy all year round. Adding these goals, the signage, and the organized play here would be detrimental to normal use of this area; i.e. parked cars, large crowds, increased traffic, increased wear and tear on the grass etc. Kids and families like to do lots of different activities in this area.....not just soccer. Catering to just a few who like to play soccer is not fair to the rest of us. Soft ball, kite flying, La Cross, tether ball, badminton, volleyball, tennis, pickleball ; it goes on and on. Thank you for opening this up for discussion and considering my comments.
4/12/2022	I vote yes.
4/12/2022	Just to clarify, we can't even get a playground in Rolling Hills for the kids but now \$6200 of our HOA money is to be used on soccer goals?? I'm against HOA funds for sport goals.
4/12/2022	I am not sure if I understand or not. Will these cost the HOA \$6200? Or is that cost being covered by the sponsor? If the cost are covered by the sponsor I am fine with the installation. If there is a cost of \$6200 to the HOA then I am adamantly not in support of the project. I do not believe the HOA should be responsible to pay for something that only a portion of the members will use.
4/12/2022	Thank you for providing opportunity to comment on the Cougar Field proposal. I am opposed to putting up soccer goals in the Cougar Field open space. This may only serve a small portion of Hidden Springs residents and could draw a greater volume of people from outside HS to the area (the full build out of CRR and DCR is 3-4x larger than HS, not to mention Eagle nearby). Practices, pickup games, regular soccer games – I don't believe it is possible for HS to restrict use of the field to anyone. Signage "For use by Hidden Springs Residents only" will not deter use and could create a negative impact on residents – especially those who live nearby. When the soccer field is in use, it will prevent HS residents with dogs who use the area, kids who play frisbee/football/baseball in the field, kids camps in the Summer, etc. Having removable goals means nothing when they are up for 9 months of the year. I can't think of any reason why this would be in the best interest of the majority of HS residents. Most of us live here because of the natural open spaces. This proposal takes valuable open space and ear-marks it for a specified use, for the sake of some HS residents and likely more non-residents, on our dime.
4/12/2022	<p>I do not support the installation of metal, regulation-sized soccer goals at Cougar Field. After initially thinking this would be a good addition to our community, I have changed my mind. The initial cost estimate was fairly high, but now that removable goals are being proposed, their costs will be higher. I don't believe the proposed expense is a good investment of community resources.</p> <p>While I don't live close to Cougar Field I have recently traveled along Humphreys Way while kids were having soccer practice. For those practices the coaches were using temporary, portable goals that seemed to do an adequate job of supporting their teams' practices. It is not clear from the proposal when the goals will be in place and when they will be removed. If they are in place during the warm or mowing season, that will make mowing the area more difficult and will also add effort needed to keep grass around the base of the goals trimmed. There may be a security issue too. If the goals are set into larger pipes in the ground (sleeves) then there needs to be some method of assuring that no one removes the goals and takes them away or just leaves them out on the ground. When the goals are removed, the sleeves also need to have some type of cap to prevent a person or animal from stepping into the sleeves and getting injured. White painted pipe could also be a target for vandalism. I think we are better off leaving Cougar Field as it is with no obtrusive metal structure in view. Since we would not be trying to create a regulation field, I don't see any substantial benefit to installing regulation goals.</p>
4/12/2022	We oppose this, as it is a \$6,200 expense for something we would never use. The cost should be a burden to the families that want the posts. With increasing HOA and an extremely costly sewer system, this is not acceptable to just keep increasing our dues.

4/12/2022	<p>I'm NOT in favor of any permanent or even semi-permanent installation of soccer goals in Cougar Field. If the community desires to add soccer goals as an amenity:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. They should be 100% portable, similar to the goals that are currently used at the athletic fields on Hill Road. Those goals are on wheels and very light weight. Can't imagine that they would cost \$3000 each. a. The portability of these goals affords the ability for the users to move them to a mostly out of sight area while they are not in use. b. Either way, there is visual impact to the park and Dry Creek, but the portables at least allow them to be moved to a hidden location. c. Either way, what is the soccer season? Do I understand that the goals will be "put away" during the off season. Who does this long term and where do they get stored? Will they be stored out of sight? 2. How is the HOA going to manage these goals? Is there a sign up sheet? Is the HOA ok with taking this on? <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. First come, first serve? Who's the traffic cop? 3. What is being done to prevent their use by others than HSTA residents? If HSTA is paying for these, they simply must be for HSTA ONLY. 4. Any impacts to parking, road blockages or other HSTA events? 5. What happens if there are unforeseen consequences? 6. If the HOA is paying for these, are they also signing up for maintenance and repairs due to vandalism? What are those costs and where is that budget coming from?
4/12/2022	I think this is a good idea, and well thought out regarding signage and the absence of permanent nets. I support it.
4/4/2022	I wanted to reach out and say I am in favor of the Cougar field soccer goals
4/2/2022	I support the group trying to get the soccer goals installed.
4/1/2022	Just wanted to put my vote in as a YES for soccer goals. I have coached soccer here in the neighborhood for over 5 years now and goals would be so helpful. Thanks for your consideration and appreciative of what you all do for the community.
3/30/2022	I vote yes on allowing the permanent placement of soccer goals at cougar field
3/30/2022	YES to the Cougar Field soccer goals. The family votes yes for the soccer goals.
3/30/2022	As a resident of hidden Springs, I want to endorse the soccer balls being placed on cougar field. I am in support of this proposal for our children within the community. I do not agree with the the opposing rationale and/or concerns.
3/30/2022	Yes for soccer goals on cougar field.
3/30/2022	I am writing to express support for adding soccer goals to the Hidden Springs Cougar Field. Both of our children have enjoyed the use of this field throughout the years and we would love to see others enjoy soccer goals at the field in the future.
3/30/2022	Wanted to let you know we are in favor of having goals out at Cougar Field.
3/30/2022	I support this - it is a YES on the Cougar Field Soccer Goals
3/30/2022	<p>We are a YES for soccer goals at Cougar Field. I would like to express my support for the soccer goals at cougar field. I think it is a great idea. Anything to encourage and support outside activities should be strongly supported.</p> <p>One more way to get kids and families exercising and playing together.</p> <p>Thank you!</p>

3/30/2022	YES to the Cougar Field soccer goals
3/30/2022	<p>As a neighbor to the open fields we are against permanent soccer goals that will change the character of our neighborhood year round. Right now the field is multi use. People play soccer with cones and temporary nets. Children play all types of impromptu games. Permanent goals would limit the use for a limited number of people.</p> <p>Parking in the summer months is limited when hikers and bikers use the parking lot. Also the parking is overflow for the limited parking for events at the barn. This section of the street is a convenient speed way entering and exiting to Dry Creek Road and is heavily trafficked. The street does not accommodate on street parking well creating traffic issues and safety for the children of the neighborhood and those using the park.</p> <p>In addition, there are no bathroom facilities at this location. Will the entrance to Hidden Springs be dotted with porta potties of game day. Open space should be just that open space. Neighbors have to look at the goals all the time year round disturbing the natural open space of Hidden Springs. Add permanent soccer goals and you change the general use. Now everyone and anyone can use the field. Add permanent goals and now the field has limited use for a limited number of people and will create conflicts.</p>
3/30/2022	Hi! I would like to vote yes in support of the soccer goals being placed in the field.
3/30/2022	I am writing to express a "No" vote on the soccer goals at this point. There seems to be a lot of misinformation and lack of communication and planning concerning the structures at this point in time.
3/30/2022	I believe a "No" vote is warranted. Thank you.
3/30/2022	Our family is voting yes in support of the proposed soccer goals.
3/30/2022	I wanted to email in support of the soccer goals in Cougar Field.
3/30/2022	Hi there, we are a YES to the soccer goals at Cougar Fields. Thank you!
3/30/2022	I think adding soccer goals at cougar field is a great idea!!
3/30/2022	Please add my vote to approve the addition of the Cougar Field soccer goals
3/29/2022	I say why not. I've coached so many kids in this neighborhood or the past 10 years and I totally understand the struggles and I absolutely love seeing kids out on the fields with new dads coaching them so I am  in favor of the new goals.
3/29/2022	Our household is in support of the proposal to install soccer goals at Cougar Field.
3/29/2022	<p>Expressing our full support for soccer goals. We believe it is critical that the facts be kept clear as this decision comes up for discussion.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The soccer practices already occur. Current arrangements demonstrate no conflict between the soccer players and other uses of the space 2. The soccer goal posts are removable during off season 3. The soccer goals will enhance the experience of players and support them in the sport. <p>Given these facts, all other arguments seem misguided and illogical. We fully support the addition of goal posts.</p>
3/29/2022	We are in support of soccer field at Humphries and Dry Creek. The field across Humphries could be used for a dog park/ a win/ win situation.

3/29/2022	In favor!
3/29/2022	I wanted to email to say YES to the goals in Hidden Springs. I have several soccer playing girls. Thanks for your continued support!
3/29/2022	Yes to soccer goals on Cougar Field.
3/29/2022	Mark me down as a yes!
3/29/2022	<p>I wanted to write in opposition of placing 2 permanent soccer goals at Cougar field. There are a few reasons for my opposing, but my main reason is that the field can already be used for soccer. If you place a permanent structures, then it becomes a soccer field. I believe this is open space to be used for all outdoor recreation, including sports such as lacrosse and football. Is it first come first serve? Who gets priority? Who wants to manage that schedule? I would assume and I believe many others would assume that it is for soccer use once the permanent goals are in place.</p> <p>This field has been used for the 12 years I've lived here for all kinds of sports. My son's coaches moved and set up their own goals for lacrosse many times, night after night throughout the years. I would hate to see it limiting. Why not a storage shed for goals of all kinds, not just soccer?</p>
3/27/2022	I want to register my strong opposition to the instalation of permanent soccer goals at Cougar Field.
3/27/2022	Holy cow, what a Bru ha ha! I don't know if you're really "taking votes" via email. Seems a bit odd. But if you are, our vote is no to the goal posts.
3/27/2022	IN FAVOR of Soccer Goals at Cougar Field
3/27/2022	<p>Hello, I'd like to vote against permanent goal posts in Cougar field. I think it's great the kids practice there, but don't want to see permanent structures in that open space. I think the school land makes much more sense to have all the fields and those permanent structures. Seeing the kids practice in that area is lovely, but I am sure that it would become much more trafficked with permanent structures, and the traffic and parking is increased a great deal already when there are practices. And if you make it permanent, in my opinion, it would get bad. The people who use it to bike and hike don't hold a candle to the amount of traffic that practices bring, nor from events at the barn. Again, the school grounds make more sense. I am not in favor. I will say, it's not possible to disagree, with the vehemence that David posts with and with some rude comrades of his. I also don't love that the driver of this is kind of a bully with his posts. If that's what we have to look forward, not in favor at all. Lastly, I would think that those that are impacted most (who live in that area), should have a strong say. I really doubt that the ones that use it live right there. If so, there wouldn't be all of the added cars overflowing from that little parking lot. Thanks for taking this into account. Adding on to my wife's comments. I've read the comments now on the Facebook site. I can see that what is proposed as 'seasonal', is planned to be permanent and would become so quickly. What is proposed to be for 'our' kids, is already being proposed that there would be teams coming from outside the community to use or even rent the fields. This means absolutely that parking would become a nightmare. This would also absolutely impact the people in the neighborhood in that area very negatively. I vote no to the goal posts. I think my wife's comment makes sense - install posts near the school.</p>

3/27/2022	<p>I am not in favor of devoting Cougar field to any use that even hints of an organized use. Right now residents go to Cougar field anytime they want, and they courteously use the field independently or in small groups. Use is sporadic and spontaneous and consists of a variety of different activities. I have seen people flying kites, radio controlled planes, and drones. I have seen field hockey, lacrosse,, football, baseball and softball activities, but all these activities were sporadic, nonrepetitive, and used temporary fixtures that they completely removed when they were done. As far as I know, no one has ever disturbed nor disrupted any of these activities. Permanent fixtures left in place inhibits or limits the flexibility of these other uses and users and their spontaneity. Optimist park down along hill road has many of the same types of uses as Cougar Field including soccer tournaments and they use temporary facilities, to preserve the area for other uses. Organized repetitively scheduled use by any group also limits the spontaneity of use by other residents. Right now this field functions as a prized and well used community resource. Please avoid scheduling large repetitive sporting events or practices as this does impact residents in the dry creek area. The school has most of the facilities for organized athletic activities. I suggest that these type activities be put there. There has been some discussion that the open space committee will make this decision. I am sure the council knows this is there decision. The open space committee can recommend a course of action, but I want the town council to understand that Cougar Field is more like the village green, south meadow, and dry creek meadow grassy areas. It has a completely different character, and different uses, problems, and solutions than the vast majority of our open space. I suggest the town council also consult with the the town managers as they may be more versed in the management issues and challenges of these other grassy areas.</p>
3/27/2022	<p>Our family is 100% behind putting permanent soccer goals in the Cougar Field. I think it's what is best for our children and this community. Please mark me and my husband down as supporters.</p>
3/27/2022	<p>Please let this email serve as my vote in declining the soccer goals in Cougar fields. I feel that the school is a much better location. As soon as those posts go up, we'll have other soccer groups and teams coming to our neighborhood etc and there's no way to enforce who's a resident and who's not. I'm not looking for my HOA dollars to become a public park. Please let me know if you need anything further from us.</p>
3/27/2022	<p>I'm emailing to vote yes for installing the soccer goal posts.</p>
3/26/2022	<p>I am very concerned about the proposed soccer field. The FaceBook rumblings on this matter are extremely toxic. Mean, bullying, vicious, if you don't share their same opinion you get hammered and are bullied. Many have quit communicating on FB because of the toxicity. There are more of us that oppose this project than indicated on FB and we are mobilizing behind the scenes. This is a highly inflamed issue. There are many who oppose the soccer field, and with the people behind it having nasty temperaments doesn't help. We don't want bad attitudes out here, where we live. We can log out of FB but when these people with temperaments occupy our fields and spaces is just going to bring trouble. There are many reasons I am opposed to the field. Our area enjoys open beautiful spaces and don't want extra people traffic, vehicle traffic, noise, trash, parking issues backing up into the neighborhood and overcrowding in the parking lot. Communities from Boise are already wanting to use the "new field". We do not want more outside traffic here. It just ruins our open spaces concept. This is not what we want for our beautiful spaces at our entrance. Once we lose the open spaces it is gone forever. Our homes will lose value. The field should be for everyone and multi-use. We are not opposed to the kids using it....just like they have been. Why don't they use the school? All of their needs would be taken care of there. I think the community needs time for meetings as there are very strong opinions on both sides.</p>
3/26/2022	<p>I would like to let you know that I am in support for the soccer field.</p>
3/26/2022	<p>Opinions requested so here is our vote 🗳️ - No to permanent soccer goals. Use temporary goals and enjoy the field when needed, but permanent goals would attract whoever from wherever to use our field. Which would be a parking issue potentially. No way to know who is using the field - if it was a HS Resident or not. And if an event at the field and barn at the same time that's a lot of cars in the hood. Happy to defer to whatever the majority wants, just our input.</p>

3/26/2022	<p>Our family is in full support of soccer goals. We have yet to read or think of on our own a valid reason as to why they are not a good idea, detrimental or harmful to the community, but the benefits go on and on. Yes please. Yes please! Yes please! What she said.... Just a few more things to bring up:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. I live by the field. Not once have I ever been disturbed by the kids using these fields. I actually enjoy seeing them out there. Noise has never been an issue. 2. The parking has not been an issue either. The people who jam up the lot are actually commuter bikers that use that parking lot instead of the one on Dry Creek that is meant for trail use. I'd rather see it used by our neighbors. 3. These kids aren't out there all day/ every day. I'm assuming their practice runs 2, evenings a week for 1- 1 1/2 hours? This leaves plenty of time they are not being used. Even though they are big enough for everyone to use at the same time. 4. This takes traffic off our roads. Being able to practice out here is huge for these families instead of commuting into Boise or Meridian to play with teams there. 5. It creates a sense of community. I can't say enough about how nice it was to have my kids play with kids right in the neighborhood coached by parents in the neighborhood. We met so many wonderful families because of this. 6. This is a planned community that is suppose to have things here so we don't have to commute. This is one way we can create that environment. 7. Most importantly, it's for the kids. Things like this, the bike park, the skating rink create an great experience for them right here in their own neighborhood.
3/26/2022	I am in favor of the soccer goals! Children should always get first priority over dogs!
3/26/2022	This email is to indicate a YES vote for the soccer goals donation. Hi! Sounds like you are accepting input/votes on the proposed Cougar field soccer goals - we vote yes! We'd love to have that option for the kids to play soccer there! Thanks!
3/26/2022	I am emailing you in regards to the soccer field proposal. I would like to vote yes for the field. I believe this would encourage kids and adults to come together, have some fun while getting exercise. It's a great way to bring the community together and promote all around health.
3/26/2022	<p>Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the proposed addition of soccer goals at Cougar Field. I was initially indifferent to the proposal and wanted to allow the HSTA comment period and policies arrive at a solution that had the greatest support from our neighbors. The advertised comment period was from 2/7/22 to 3/8/22. After the close of the comment period, the "project advocate" appears to have not received the positive response he wanted - and has chosen to undertake what I see as a pushy and condescending lobbying campaign via social media. Its too bad he didn't get the approval he wanted, but that's how the process sometimes goes. For reasons in part related to the advocate's failure to respect the official process to gather comments from our neighbors (who have every right to object to his proposal) and the final decision of HSTA - I am now in opposition to the proposed addition of soccer goals. I have three reasons, beyond what I mention above:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. As is, Cougar Field has accommodated youth sports of many types for years including lacrosse, soccer and others. Each sport has provided their own temporary, movable equipment. I see no reason that permanent soccer goals are necessary. Soccer teams can continue to use portable goals. I suspect this is actually a better solution since the size of the field can be adjusted to meet the age and skill-level of the players. Younger players use both smaller fields and smaller goals than the permanent installation that is proposed. 2. Not installing permanent soccer goals ensures there will not be a conflict with the needs of other field users, such as the other sports (lacrosse, football) or casual users like dog owners. 3. I understand that the intent is for the soccer nets to be removed when the goals are not in use. I suspect this will not actually occur over the long-term. It will not be convenient and ultimately we should anticipate that the nets would just be left up - in conflict with the aesthetic, maintenance needs and wildlife entrapment concerns described in the project proposal.
3/26/2022	I was asked to send a vote on putting in soccer goals. My vote is No.
3/26/2022	<p>Morning, I meant to get this comment in sooner but here it is. I support the addition of soccer nets at cougar field. It is a great addition for the community and it's kids. Not having to drive out of the neighborhood to use nets is an asset for us, the coaches and parents. I have driven my kids down to the optimist fields to use their nets many times and often times we cannot use the nets as the city has taken them down. I cannot think of a single reason of how this would impact anyone negatively. The fields have been used for years for soccer practices and the school fields are also very busy with practices. One of the great things about this neighborhood is the many parents who volunteer their time and put together teams of kids here in the neighborhood to play sports. This just makes their life easier as well as every parent who has kids playing sports. Being able to stay here to practice is huge. Having nets for our kids to practice on not only helps them hone their skills but also provides an activity to keep them busy. This is an active neighborhood and the addition of these nets fits the lifestyle of it's residents</p>
3/25/2022	<p>Please consider this a vote against the soccer posts. We fully support additional recreational opportunities for everyone, BUT the visibility of having soccer posts would inevitably attract more traffic from outside the area. Parking is already a concern for me and neighbors, let alone everyone else who will now come here to use the field. We purchased with the love of all the open space. The area is already becoming crowded with additional neighborhoods going up around ours. Our vote is no. Thank you</p>

3/25/2022	Please vote yes in favor of instaling Cougar Field Soccer Goals Thank you for your consideration. Great add to our awesome hood !!
3/25/2022	Hi! I vote, Yes to the soccer goals! I'm a HS resident, mom, and volunteer soccer coach for my kids soccer YMCA teams. This would be so awesome to have!! So yes please!
3/25/2022	Please count us as a "NO" vote for soccer goals being installed at the dog park. There is plenty of room at Hidden Springs Elementary or the field on Humphreys across from the dog park for soccer practice. Off leash dogs and soccer don't mix - lets leave it as a dedicated dog park please.
3/25/2022	This is a vote yes for soccer goals. :)
3/25/2022	Please put me down as a YES vote for soccer goals at the field near the north entrance.
3/25/2022	I am very much in favor of soccer goals. Anything to keep our neighborhood kids in the hood.
3/25/2022	We vote to support the soccer goals going up in Cougar Field.
3/25/2022	I am not in favor of this. It will add traffic to our already congested roads and neighborhood. In addition, it will incur additional HOA fees. HOA fees increase every year as it is and with inflation will continue their steep increases. Open space as it is now, is much better for all.
3/25/2022	I am opposed to the goals as it is a capital improvement that is not just a onetime cost, but will continue to cost the HSTA(maintenance, vandalism, etc.), and thus causing our HOA fees to potentially increase. I do not think the goals are a bad idea, I just don't want to pay for them as a resident. Also, I feel like the use would not be limited to Hidden Springs residents, with the addition of the adjacent Cartwright Ranch subdivision, it is more than likely they would use the field as well. Thus HS residents will pay for it while others can and will use it
3/25/2022	I vote in favor of the proposed soccer goals to be added to the unofficial dog park in Hidden Springs.
3/25/2022	Please consider this my vote in support of Hidden Springs kids and the installation of soccer goals at Cougar Field
3/25/2022	We are AGAINST THE GOALS.
3/25/2022	<p>There should not be goals put up on cougar field. Thank you for all you do. I wanted to voice my concerns against the soccer goals being installed at cougar field/dog park area.</p> <p>Some concerns of mine are parking not being sufficient for the traffic flow.</p> <p>Also dogs and kids should not be playing together, it's not safe for either. This is the only area in the ENTIRE neighborhood that dogs are allowed off leash and to play fetch. Soccer can be played anywhere and there's many locations currently being utilized as well.</p> <p>Also not every kid here plays soccer. If this is approved who's to say the football dad's or lacrosse dad's or whatever other sport are going to want something, we can't accommodate everyone.</p> <p>Many sports and teams already practice at the school and there is room there for this activity, along with the ability to get soccer nets on wheels that can be stored on the side when not in season as is done at Optimist Park right down the hill.</p> <p>Also having cleats played on that grass will destroy it and cost a lot of money to upkeep and maintain it.</p> <p>It's a beautiful open area and I feel the metal posts would detract from that.</p> <p>One of the options we voted on a few months ago was fencing this area in to make it a more official dog park, I'm not sure what became of this vote?</p> <p>Lastly, I think there are more important things the HSTA has to spend money on like the upgrades to the sewer ponds, the excavator who's cleaning out the wetlands, neighborhood activities returning post Covid. Paying for soccer goals and the increased maintenance of the field shouldn't be priority.</p> <p>I'm sorry you're having to go through this again. I felt this issue was already decided per the last newsletter. I don't think it's right that one person/dad is taking to social media to "drum up support" when 100s of people were already notified. There's over 800 homes in this community and not all of them have kids who play soccer. I know there's no way to please everyone and no one size fits all approach here but I hope this helps share another point of view.</p>
3/25/2022	I would like the field to remain multi-purpose. Currently, this is the only spot in the community where dogs can fetch off leash and I love being able to play with my dog there. I think that owners have done a good job of poop scooping, too. That said, I think that the field is big enough to share and as long as the field remains multi-purpose. I vote yes for the goals.
3/25/2022	I am writing in support of allowing soccer goals to be installed at Cougar Field. This proposal not only follows the principles our community founders intended, but it embraces them! The proposal will enhance the common property value as well as our community members' quality of life. While we are a growing community, geographic expansion is limited. Therefore, making improvements to our shared spaces cannot spark a population spike, but will rather improve the sense of community and small-town feel for those of us already established here. I see the addition of a feature that will promote healthy living through recreation, and education through teamwork and sportsmanship, as an asset to current and future generations of community members. Yes, we are a growing community, but growing in kinship, strength, and new opportunities for adventure. The diversity of available resources and uses of those resources should reflect that.

3/25/2022	I am all for the soccer goals to be put in in Hidden Springs. It will only add to the outdoor activity in Hidden Springs and keep the kids busy and active.
3/25/2022	Please note that I support the installation of the soccer goals. Please count my vote as a YES for the soccer goals in Cougar Field.
3/24/2022	Hello- in response to the face book conversation, I am writing on behalf of 4 homes living in the vicinity of the projected soccer goal area on West Long Meadow Dr., we are in strong opposition for the reason stated by our neighbor. About the parking,traffic, increased out side community flow and dangers to the children in the area. We also have children and see the situation from both points of view but feel the safety and parking concerns out weight the need for soccer goals. Thank you for always being a steward of the community first and doing what is in the best interest of all residents in general. We appreciate your time and efforts.
3/24/2022	I am a resident of Hidden Springs and also own a business here in the community. I recently became aware of the possibility of soccer goals being installed on Cougar Field. I am very much FOR having this occur. My daughter is a soccer player, therefore sure, it would be fantastic to have goals in order for her to go over there and practice shooting on real goals, as opposed to the cones we are currently using on the South Meadow lawn. Also, I am just a big believer in having more recreational options for kids to play with.. In my opinion, installing two soccer goals would not greatly impact the other uses the field is currently used for. I believe having soccer goals would be a very nice addition to our community and am very much in favor of this. Thank you for your consideration and time in reading this email
3/24/2022	I realize this is after the allotted time frame for comments but after reading the posts on FB about the subject I thought I would chime in. When first reading about the proposal we were concerned since we live close but didn't want to send a negative reply. We understand the reasoning to want such a set up. But after hearing responses and attitudes we are casting a "no" vote for all the reasons that have been mentioned in the formal comments but also the whole community needs to be represented; it's not just all about kids or retirees or dogs. The safety issue, noise and parking are really hard to ignore. It is already congested during summer and wedding/event season. Hopefully our Open Space will remain just that. Thanks for listening.
3/24/2022	Hi! I'm in favor of soccer goals at the field next to the bike park. Great addition to our community for the kids to play. I vote yes on the soccer goals! I think it is a great idea and will provide another avenue to keep our youth and community physically active and outdoors!
3/17/2022	I wanted to submit a note of support for the soccer goals proposed for Cougar Field. My boys and I play soccer, and I'll bet my daughter will play soon, and this would be a great amenity!
3/8/2022	This letter is in regards to the proposed soccer goals in the dog park. My initial response was to say yes. However, after careful consideration, I believe that putting soccer goals in the dog park would create more problems for this area. I'm concerned that dog owners will lose the only area they have for dogs to be off leash. Other concerns include: Possible harm to wildlife, who monitors the area making sure the nets are down, trash is removed, etc. Price of putting the goals in the park, excessive traffic and parking issues (especially when games over lap events at the farm). I believe there are better places for the proposed soccer goals. Thank you for considering my concerns
3/8/2022	I oppose this proposal for the following reasons: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Concerned about maintenance costs for the HOA. • The high volume of traffic and parking that may be created by having a permanent soccer field seemingly open to the public. The community will not have any way to regulate this. • Large events at the barn use the parking lot and overflow to the streets - there is too much potential for overcrowding on the streets. • Permanent soccer goals potentially precludes the use of the field for other activities
3/7/2022	Follow Up Comments: My biggest concern is just simply capacity and venue. From your perspective, that doesn't sound like that will be an issue. I'm just one of many votes, but if there could be something written in that says they can be removed if usage becomes X or something like that, I don't see myself having an issue. It wouldn't be my choice to see them in the field, but I'm not going to hold that back from the kids in our neighborhood over my preference. I personally would love to see a field full of neighborhood bikes as the kids are playing. My gut says that it will be cars and folks from the new developments all around us. If that became the case and our front entrance to HS became more of a cluster, I would want them to be pulled. The question of the day is, would they allow us to pull them if the latter happened?

<p>3/6/2022</p>	<p>I am opposed to permanent soccer goals at Cougar Field. As a soccer player and past youth coach, soccer is a great sport for our kids. But play should be in appropriate locations. My concerns with this location are:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Highly visible area representing HS that becomes an athletic field. Thereby eliminating a beautiful open space representing the foothills for all to enjoy at will. What about the increase in congestion and litter or clothing left behind? 2. People will eventually come to use the field, of all ages...for a pick up game or new place to schedule practices. Regardless of a sign saying residents only. It's the reality of demand. 3. Safety issues with a space surrounded by 2 busy streets. 4. Increased encroachment on the wetlands and dry creek bird populations. 5. Liability for injuries, on the field or with vehicles. 6. Unsightly turf damage in front of the goals and repairs. The goal area gets run down to dirt. What about visible wear and tear and maintenance? Or costs when vandals damage the goal posts? <p>Wonderful options exist for soccer all around, already paid for and in suitable places. Optimus Fields for example or HS School. Cougar Field is an open space for all. Be it the dog walkers, acceptable sports use as it is now, a quiet place to walk to, kite flying, parents with youngsters in strollers or even those who enjoy the uncluttered beauty as they drive by. Is it right to focus on a specific group, and then require the rest to incur costs while being limited or even loosing their space? Please consider diversity and all ages when voting, and who long term would police this as an athletic field.</p>
<p>3/6/2022</p>	<p>We are opposed to the Soccer Goal installation at Cougar Field. While we totally support anything to get kids outside, being that this is the only "legal" off leash area in the subdivision, I wonder who will take precedence when the 4-5 teams want to practice or will a future addendum be removing the off leash allowance. Has anyone thought to approach the school about using the huge field where there is a baseball diamond already in place? Seems it would be more convenient to the subdivision, is currently being used to practice football etc. and has better parking facilities. Cougar Field is not just a place for dogs to "go to the bathroom". If you will notice, a 30 days comment period on this subject took place a couple of months ago resulting in the rejection of the proposal. The revision adding removable to the request in no way addresses the negative concerns brought forth in the previous as well as current comment period. I hope the board stands firm on their original decision and rejects this again.</p> <p><u>This revised proposal is merely "lipstick on a pig". No offense intended to pigs...</u></p>

3/6/2022	<p>I am very opposed to the Cougar Field Soccer goals. The back entrance to Hidden Springs should be kept within the original concept of Open Spaces. No one wants to enter Hidden Springs with a crowded, noisy, busy atmosphere. Hidden Springs deserves, and we should work to keep a beautiful, quiet and peaceful open spaces - especially at our only back entrance. The parking at Cougar Field is already at full capacity, frequently, with people and their dogs, hikers, bikers. There is no parking for a Soccer Field, (and we don't want more parking for a soccer field) and would very much promote overuse of this area damaging greenery and atmosphere. There would be heavier traffic, dangerous to adults, kids, animals and other vehicles. There would be more noise, trash and it would also invite crime. It would very much diminish the quality and atmosphere of all of Hidden Springs in general, and especially to those of us that live near. No one in the neighborhood is going to want to drive home and have this meet us. This isn't what we want to view and hear at our homes. Those of us that live near and in view of this area already experience trash blowing over to our property from the bike park and noise from the Barn rental and we do not want to add to what we already have to deal with. Keep the Soccer Field at the Elementary School. The school location is more than equipped to handle all the soccer needs as it has the field, space and parking. Let's keep Hidden Springs peaceful....and beautiful. HOA - Policy 500 Cougar Fields soccer goals . You list the goals as an improvement and their advocate contacted homeowners with the direct line of sight. Not true. We were never contacted by such advocate. I have talked to many homeowners in line of sight and they all have some concerns of this moving forward. I find it hard to swallow that we are paying more HOA dues and giving up open space. \$6200 for installation sure could be spent better on some of the things that have been neglected for years; Dead trees ,sewer smells from the street swamp conditions and irrigation issues at the corner of Humphrys and Long Meadow. The open space now has all homeowners using the park for different uses: dogs play ,soccer practice , lacrosse, hang gliding ,flag football. Putting in a permanent goal post you have a soccer field. So many reasons for not doing that. The open spaces should be natural , beautiful enjoyable for everybody. To add 8' x 24' white poles is not natural or beautiful adding signage to the entrance is not natural or beautiful the field just became a soccer field . Looking at other fields in Boise none have permanent post installed. Let's not make Cougar Field the first one. Extra maintenance costs are coming you can't mow the grass like you used too. Now he's trimming around the polls.The polls are going to be used as a jungle gym for the older kids. Who going to monitor and enforce nets? Permanent goals are also hard on the field itself always the same traffic pattern what about the next step is lacrosse getting their own goal ,flag football they need goal posts where do you stop.The parking is already packed when there's practice. A soccer field is going to bring in more traffic with games. We have many outside people coming to use the parking space as it is,bike road teams mountain bike teams cross country ski teams the overflow from the barn weddings and parties. It is not a safe place for kids getting across the road as it is . Just think bringing in more traffic, people problems, noise, trash. Ask the people around the soccer fields of Hill Road about the increase in crime. .Boise soccer clubs list on their Facebook page Hidden Springs elementary school as a soccer field already. Keep it there, no need for permanent goals at Cougar Field. This is just not in alignment with the concept of Hidden Springs open and beautiful spaces.</p>
3/4/2022	<p>I would like to voice my support for soccer goals on Cougar field. The kids in this neighborhood need as many places to play as possible. I am a dog owner but there are plenty of places to walk your dog and I am not sure that Cougar field is ideal anyway. As a community its important to support health activities and options for the kids in the neighborhood including team supports. I am in favor of the installation of soccer goals at cougar field- If they need help, call me.</p>
3/4/2022	<p>I would have concerns related to a soccer field at Cougar Field. My concerns are specifically related to;</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. increased traffic 2. parking issues 3. Speed ans safety concerns 4. non-residents of HSTA using the facility and causing wear and tear that would be a financial burden to the community
3/3/2022	<p>I support the addition of soccer goals to cougar field.</p>
3/2/2022	<p>I appreciate the opportunity to express my concerns about the proposed installation of permanent soccer goals in Cougar Field. I agree with all of the concerns expressed so far, and would like to add the following for consideration: Potential problems if non-residents begin using the fields: increased traffic, limited parking, litter from spectators, increase in garbage to be collected, wear and tear on grass, vandalism of the nets, to name a few. Some of these would create additional expense to the HOA, as well as the problem of how to police the area for resident use. Since there there is no informational at this point to determine the extent of the potential negative impacts on the HS community, particularly homes in the surrounding neighborhoods, it seems difficult to make a decision in favor of this proposal. Currently families can bring their own goals and enjoy the opportunity to play soccer. While permanent goals may be more convenient, there are unanswered impacts that need to be addressed with clear guidelines about how to manage the field, potential on-going expenses created by this proposal, and whether these are acceptable.</p>

3/1/2022	I am not in favor of the proposal. In short, it will change the existing character of that space that currently benefits the entire community in favor of an increased benefit of a small group that already has access to practice there in the first place (which is fine). Also, despite signs that it is for Hidden Springs resident use only, other groups will inevitably find out about this and use the park. It would be impossible to police that, as it would be policing who is on a particular team that does have Hidden Springs residents (1 Hidden Springs resident?, 5?, or maybe an aspiring club coach?). Thank you.
2/28/2022	I wanted to share some concerns regarding the upcoming soccer field. I've always been a supporter of all things Hidden Springs and kids, but I have some concerns with this one. In the summertime, there is no parking as it is between the bike park, trails, weddings and dog park use. I keep hearing people say that this will do nothing to the current use of the field. I completely disagree. More people will be coming to use the field. Are there plans for additional parking? A kid will get hit soon enough because people continue to park on both sides of the road during heavy use. The more we chew on it, and listen to the concerns of our neighbors, the more we don't think it's a great idea. Initially we were excited thinking the kids could use it. However; the convenience of the goals isn't balancing out with the capacity of the venue. When a home owner wants to go fetch their dog in the summer and a soccer game is being played (even just two kids), who has the right away? Is it an open space where folks can go and play with their dog un-leashed or is it a soccer field? It is not as simple as whoever was there first has the right away when it comes to dogs off leash. How do we control other teams from coming up and playing or practicing? We now have bike teams coming up from other schools to use the trails and our neighborhood parking. What stops other teams from coming up and using the goals? Will there be un-sanctioned games in the future? Is there any middle ground between a seasonal setup vs a permanent one? Could Hidden Springs build an equipment locker for the local team to use? This would prevent non Hidden Springs use in the after hours while providing convenience to coach and teams?
2/28/2022	we support the Soccer Goals-
2/28/2022	I would like to offer a negative vote for the soccer goals on Cougar Field. As I frequently visit that field so my dog can play with other dogs, I want to see it remain a dog park – an area where dogs are allowed to romp and play off leash and the only area that I’m aware of that is dedicated to that. The school has a huge field and is already signed for ‘no dogs’ and is a dedicated play/sports area for children. He mentioned that it is difficult to schedule a time for his soccer games/practice but frankly, I go by that field all the time and there is rarely anything happening out there outside of normal recess breaks when school is in session. Surely, these games and practices can be arranged to fit (whatever) other activities that are scheduled there. There are plenty (well, nearly all parks) dedicated to the play of children out here – let’s keep the one field open for the dogs. The reply, as I recall, was that the kids were already playing soccer there so this was really no change. It most certainly would be a change if those permanent goals were installed. The dog park would instantly become the ‘Soccer Field’ and the soccer agenda would be first and the dogs’ play availability would come second. The OP suggested that these two activities could happen simultaneously but that response is from someone who either doesn’t have a dog or has never watched a small pack of dogs as they run around a field – add in a bunch of kids yelling and ripping around a field and include a ball ??? – not a good idea. And already there were comments about the dog poop. This is a ‘repeat’ complaint on the Facebook pages and I’m not at all surprised that it should show up here but as they bring that up in their reasoning then it must be addressed. This is my take on that subject: I walk my dog all over the trails and specifically frequent the trails that are near the dog park. Considering how many dogs are on those trails and that field daily – there is very little dog poop that isn’t picked up by the owners. Percentage-wise, we have very responsible dog owners out here. Now perhaps some who complain don’t know the difference between coyote poop and dog poop, but from what I see coyotes are definitely responsible for a great deal of uncollected waste and unless we can train our coyotes to a better level of individual accountability, we’ll just have to live with that particular problem. But on the subject of waste – should this field get its goal posts and what could only be an anticipated rise of children playing in that area I strongly suggest that a porta potty be included. As mentioned, I’m in this area nearly every day and frequently walk through the bike park going to or from the dog park and one thing I’ve noticed is the rise in kids using that small wedge of trees to the immediate east of the bike park and the trees along the creek directly south as bathrooms. Animals are attracted to human waste for a variety of reasons, but this is becoming increasingly disgusting as well as a potential health issue. I’ve lived in Hidden Springs since 1999 and I’ve seen it grow into the town that the original developers had intended (more or less). It’s always going to be a case of give and take and compromise. But a careful look will show that though the majority of voices heard may frequently be parents of growing children there is still a fair percentage of the population of Hidden Springs that is either childless or older, empty nesters. It was suggested to me in the Facebook response that the welfare of children is what Hidden Springs is all about, after all. Though I do not dispute that I value the overall positive environment for children that HS has to offer, it isn’t ‘just’ about that, we non/kid folk live here in the community, too, and I dare say add a great deal to that community (it takes a village, after all) but we have our agenda as well that does not necessarily begin and end with kids and their needs. Please take into account how erecting soccer goal posts on Cougar Field will effectively end that as a dog park.
2/21/2022	I am in favor of having soccer goal posts down on Cougar Field. I would love to see children out having fun and learning new skills. It’s not just for children, I’ll happily join a pick up game! Dogs and sports can easily share the space.
2/20/2022	I am expressing my support for soccer goals that are being considered within the community. Please let me know if you have any questions.

2/19/2022	I know I replied and wanted to again, b/c I don't have a set point....we want the kids to have soccer goals, but I want to know who manages the day to day schedule and also who determines when it will be pulled down for the season. If community funds are involved, Then I think there is a lot more for the community to decide. Again, we aren't on any side, we just want to make sure we have the information to support the best of the kids interest in the community.I see a lot of information about the desire to have a soccer field put in, and feedback is apparently desired... it depends. IS the soccer field open to everyone at all times or is it set up for a few families to micromanage and monopolize the use, like the ice skating in the front pond. I want the neighborhood to be better for all, but in all our years there and experience, and as it is marketed, it seems like it is to fulfill the desires of Des, who will definitely assert their position or role to maintain their personal use above all. I do not agree with that. So, IF the soccer field is for all for equal opportunity, I agree. If it's set up and already being micromanaged by a couple families then I do not support. I trust the office to make the decision, for the community, not the few trying to capitalize on a situation.
2/18/2022	Yes to soccer goals in Cougar Field!
2/18/2022	Yes!! We are in support of adding soccer goals to our " cougar field" as a healthy and fun option for our kids and families to get out and play. On behalf of my family, we would like to vote in favor of adding soccer goals to cougar field. Soccer goals will provide positive and healthy recreation for our children, which is and should be our top priority. We also love our dogs in the community and there is no reason why they cannot coexist at the same field. If dogs aren't kid friendly they should absolutely not be off leash in the first place. Thank you for your time and consideration.
2/18/2022	We are concerned about the proposal of soccer goal posts being added to the 'Cougar Field' area on Humphreys & Dry Creek Rd. This area is the only place to safely play catch off leash with dogs in the neighborhood and we hope it remains available in the evenings for working dog owners. Lacrosse & field hockey commonly practice there in the evenings Spring & Fall, which limits the availability in the evenings (after work) to exercise dogs. Parking is also limited Spring - Fall with the bike park families, hikers and cyclists using the nearby trails. Our concerns are this: if goal posts go up, the field will become less available as open space, there will be more congestion of cars, and less space available for those without children to utilize this open space in the evenings. There are MANY options for soccer practice nearby: school grounds, the large area across the way on Humphreys between Long Meadow & Poplar Creek, or the triangle area on Humphreys between Hidden Springs Drive & Miners Farm Drive, which all say 'Park' on the community map. Plus the 20+ soccer fields at Optimist Youth Sports Complex 3.7 miles away (which is closed to all dogs Spring & Fall). The nearest off leash dog park area is roughly 8 miles away. There are many responsible residents who use leashes everywhere in HS (this space as the only exception), who scoop poop (even if it isn't theirs). This open space was one of the reasons we chose this community. Please consider all residents when making decisions that affect open space, and not only those with school aged children. Thank you for your time and consideration.
2/17/2022	Our family thinks soccer goals at the park would be a fabulous idea!
2/16/2022	I did have a few comments and concerns regarding the project: 1. What was the original intent of use for Cougar Field by the HOA/Developer? 2. Are the soccer goals for just practice or will there be games and leagues playing throughout the season? a. If there are games, how will that impact traffic, parking and the overall aesthetics/peace of our Dry Creek entrance? 3. Who will enforce the HSTA Residents Only and First Come/First Serve policy? 4. I hope to have our girls play soccer one day. However, I would rather drive them to an actual park or soccer field for practice and games, rather than change the hardscape of Cougar Field. My heart wants to say "Yes" and that it would be great for everyone. Reality says to me that we might be better off to leave it as an open field without the soccer goals. I know kids have been playing on the field for different sports over the years. But with two permanent soccer goals, I think it changes the dynamics of our Hidden Springs subdivision. With the ever increasing building of homes surrounding Hidden Springs and the lack of new fields, it's only natural that more and more outsiders will look to use Cougar Field. It's kinda like the dog park in Hidden Springs. I assume that our HOA fees go to maintain the park, but I always find people using it that don't live in Hidden Springs. Nobody cares if non-residents use it until it becomes crowded and changes the peacefulness and tranquility of our open space feel. Same thing will happen to Cougar Field as more and more people come to enjoy the soccer goal setup. I would like to hear other residents opinions. But, with the information I have right now, I would have to say "NO" to the soccer goals installation.
2/9/2022	We are in support the addition of the soccer goals on Cougar field. We support the soccer goals at Cougar field. Think they would be a great addition to the neighborhood.
2/8/2022	I support the install of soccer goals on cougar field. Thank you!!!
2/8/2022	My kids would be super stoked if you guys allowed soccer goals by the bicycle park. I am 100% for the soccer goals. We are all voting for the soccer goals to be installed for the children by the bike track in HS.
2/8/2022	We support the proposed idea of adding soccer goals to cougar field. Thank you!

2/8/2022	I'm emailing to support the proposed permanent soccer goals to be placed on Cougar field. Thank you for your support of the youth of the neighborhood. I would like to express my support for the proposed soccer goals. Great use of our open space. I'm all in favor of adding soccer goals. Smart thing for the neighborhood to add.
2/8/2022	Permanent Soccer goals on Cougar Field would be a great addition to the neighborhood. Currently, coaches for at least 4-5 teams based out of hidden springs with hidden springs coaches for various age groups bring removable goals every spring and fall to cougar field and behind the school. Thank you for consideration and kids will get great use out of these goals. I see no incremental maintenance costs and increased usage by our community kids vs an athletic field for dogs to go to the bathroom. Please put soccer goals on the athletic field. They have multiple sports uses and can be used by multiple teams and local kids with no team. I already commented once. But wanted to comment again.
2/8/2022	Here's my email for a yes vote! Thanks!
2/8/2022	I strongly support the idea of having 2 permanent soccer goals at Cougar field. There are many soccer teams, both boys and girls, in a variety of ages who practice in hidden springs during the spring, summer, and fall. These goals would be a huge help and wouldn't take up much space in a park that is otherwise typically used for dog walking. The dogs would probably enjoy marking the goal posts anyway :) I would love the addition of the soccer goals at the field by the bike park.
2/17/2022	CRTA - I would like to express my support to add soccer goals to the Hidden Springs Cougar Field down at the corner of Humphreys and Dry Creek. This would add additional opportunities for children and adults to come together in the community. My 10 year-old son currently practices on this field twice a week, but has to use portable goals. Real goals would be a super addition to the field.
3/30/2022	CRTA - I have been part of the YMCA soccer league coaching my daughters and HS kids for the last 8 years. These nets would be a great addition for years to come especially since what we have been through over the last 2 years with the pandemic. Our youth needs every opportunity to be outside and working in an athletic team environment. Thank you!
3/30/2022	CRTA Yes to the soccer goals on the Cougar Field! Thank you!
3/30/2022	CRTA - I am officially voting YES to placing soccer goals on the Cougar Field. I see no reason why we shouldn't foster a healthy living style for children. Soccer goals in now way could be a hindrance to anyone in the community. This is a family community and children are a BIG part of that.
3/24/2022	CRTA - Hi Hoa. We are in favor of Soccer Goals for Cougar Field. We live in the neighborhood and have an 11 year-old who likes to kick the ball around over there. It would be such a great asset to our neighborhood to have goals there. I do not think car traffic would be a problem because closer soccer fields exist, so there would be no reason for cars to drive all the way out to HS's when there are fields closer, and more of them, closer to town. Thank you for considering adding these goals. I am in favor of this. I am also in favor of making a change at a later date if adding them didn't work out.