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Subject: RE: A bid for Central Park Redevelopment

Hello, [REDACTED]
 Thank you for providing your comments.
 I encourage you to visit Sprung website for one example of enhanced recreation facilities.
 Monday evening there will be presentations made by staff providing options.
 I hope this adds some insight for you.

Regards,

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, August 23, 2012 10:39 PM  
**To:** Sandra Cooper; Rick Lloyd; Mike Edwards; Kevin Lloyd; Ian Chadwick; Keith Hull; Dale West; Sandy Cunningham; Joe Gardhouse  
**Subject:** A bid for Central Park Redevelopment

Thank you for taking the time to read this email.

My name is [REDACTED] and I am a Registered Nurse who lives in Collingwood with a young family. I echo the same message that the friends of the Central Park Redevelopment group state, but I would also like you to consider another aspect.

As you may have seen, there is a huge campaign happening currently to raise money for the Collingwood hospital diagnostics department. I am very happy that there is a great push to find funding in the community for this project, but I beg you to consider what the Central Park Redevelopment could bring to our community. We lead lives that tend to be sedentary even though we are always busy and have a myriad of fast food options to suit our fast paced lives. I truly believe that by taking the time and the effort to source funding for the Central Park Redevelopment, we would be supporting the health of our population for years to come. As evidenced by the success of such a partnership between the YMCA and the city of Owen Sound, it can be done and done well. I believe that it is important to have a central recreation facility that is modernized and has the facilities to say: We are supporting the health of our community through recreation.

Thank you again for taking the time to read this email and consider the further contemplation of potential funding opportunities!

Sincerely,



I also echo the Friends of the Central Park Redevelopment Sentiments:

I am aware that Town Council will be discussing alternatives to the Central Park Project at your August 27th meeting. These alternatives include putting a temporary building around the outdoor pool at Heritage Park, building a single pad arena at Central Park and making repairs and at Eddie Bush arena. The estimated cost of these temporary facilities has been reported at more than \$10M dollars.

As you know, the Central Park Project plan was generated from countless hours of work by your Steering Committee with input by various community and stakeholder groups. The plan was endorsed by Council on March 19th, 2012, but it has yet to fulfill the recommendations.

I urge you to stay on course with the recommendations of the Steering Committee report and to consider the following:

1. Do it once and do it right! – If you do choose to spend millions of dollars on temporary solutions the chance of a community facility will never be realized.
2. It's our tax dollars; consult us - Get back to the public on the temporary solutions and do not make a decision in isolation. All options must be weighed by the public before a decision should be made.
3. We deserve the best, so figure it out - Collingwood's recreational infrastructure is inadequate - current and future generations deserve a full recreation community centre on one site. Council represents the public and must consider their needs.
4. There is no real urgency, stay the course – Many communities in Ontario have similar recreation centres and have thought bigger by embracing a community vision. We are asking Council to think big and make certain that we are ready to build once an Infrastructure program is announced. There is no rush, stay the course.