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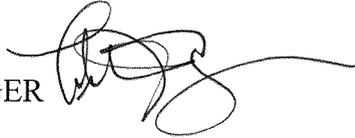
ITEM NO. 13

COUNCIL AGENDA REPORT

DESK ITEM

DATE: June 6, 2005

TO: MAYOR AND TOWN COUNCIL

FROM: DEBRA J. FIGONE, TOWN MANAGER 

SUBJECT: COUNCIL POLICY DISCUSSION AND DIRECTION REGARDING USE OF OAK MEADOW PARK FOR ORGANIZED SOCCER PRACTICE

The following attached report which was previously brought to Council is being provided for additional background information.

Attachments:

Council Report, Item 20 dated 12/20/04

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MEETING DATE: 12/20/04

ITEM NO. 20

COUNCIL AGENDA REPORT

DATE: DECEMBER 13, 2004
TO: MAYOR AND TOWN COUNCIL
FROM: DEBRA J. FIGONE, TOWN MANAGER
SUBJECT: ACCEPT REPORT ON THE SUPPLY AND DEMAND FOR SOCCER FIELDS IN LOS GATOS AND PROVIDE DIRECTION ON NEXT STEPS

RECOMMENDATION:

- 1. Accept report on the supply and demand for soccer fields in Los Gatos.
2. Provide direction on next steps.

BACKGROUND:

At the January 24, 2004 Town Council Retreat, the Town Council discussed the use of Town parks for sports activities, in general, and for soccer fields specifically. This discussion evolved from a request made by soccer parents, coaches and players to require a soccer field as part of the Gateway mixed-use development on Winchester Blvd (Sobrato). At that time, these constituents stated that a sufficient supply of soccer fields does not exist in Los Gatos to meet the growing demand for fields. The request for additional soccer fields was repeated at the January 20th Town Council meeting, at which time the Council sought public input on the use of Town parks for sports facilities. The public also spoke about the need for a skateboard park at the January 20th meeting. A skateboard project is currently being pursued.

Direction from the January 24th Council Retreat was for staff to assess the status of sports fields available for soccer that were identified in a 1993 staff report on this matter. This assessment, as well as an analysis of the demand for soccer fields, are included as part of this staff report.

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Alternatives for Addressing the Soccer Field Supply Issue

Short-Term Options

For the short-term, soccer groups are operating within the constraints of a limited supply of soccer fields. When fields are taken out of play due to construction or to changes in field use policies, LGUSL and LGS manage to identify substitute fields or to rearrange schedules to accommodate all players albeit at less than ideal conditions.

Optimizing the use of available fields appears to be a common practice for the soccer groups. This is accomplished through sharing fields and juggling practice times. Another approach the groups could explore is increasing practices during the 3 to 5 pm time slot, which is not as heavily used as the 5 to 7 pm time slot. In the past, this approach has not been highly successful owing to the lack of coaches available at this time and to competing after school commitments for the youth. The groups could explore the current feasibility of the 3 to 5 pm time slot, appealing to both parents and youth for more flexibility given the limited supply of fields.

Another option regarding the use of available fields that could be explored is installing temporary or permanent lighting on one or more fields. According to the soccer groups, the most desired lighted fields would be those at Fisher, Blossom Hill, Van Meter and Dave's schools. Lighting one or more of these fields would increase the number of practices possible for the 5 to 7 pm time slot and reduce the impact on the 3 to 5 pm time slots during daylight savings time. Installing lights on one or more of these fields would need to be addressed in collaboration with the school district, the schools themselves, and the neighbors. Funding for field lights may be available through the Town's Proposition 12 and 40 programs; however, there may be limitations due to the fact that the fields are not owned by the Town. It is our understanding that portable lights are used successfully at Saratoga High School for Pop Warner football practice.

Another short-term option the soccer groups are pursuing is the use of county land in Vasona Park. In the past, the County has not been receptive to the use of Vasona Park for organized sports; however, the soccer groups are planning to discuss this with county staff.

Long-Term Options

In the long term, the addition of one or more full-size soccer fields would enable the soccer groups to meet the demand for practice fields and full-size fields for the older youth. The Town does not currently have property under their control that would be sufficient for the development of full-size soccer fields.

A few properties of land in private ownership of sufficient size do exist in the Town; however, the Town is not currently aware of any private owner interest in selling the properties at this time. A method that could be explored to create an incentive for private owners with more than one property

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The Town does not currently impose a parkland dedication fee. Given the small number of new lots created in Town, the amount of money collected each year will be limited and the parkland created or improved must reasonably benefit the subdivision that paid the fee. In addition, the Town's ratio of parkland per 1,000 residents is about six acres per 1,000 residents, including Vasona, which is within Town boundaries. If trails and open space are included, the ratio is nearly nine acres per 1,000 residents.

CONCLUSION:

Although LGUSL and LGS Recreation are able to operate within the current field supply, the supply is not sufficient to meet the practice needs for LGUSL. Short-term options for meeting LGUSL's practice needs include optimizing the use of available fields through scheduling more practices in the 3 to 5 pm time period and through the installation of temporary or permanent lights on key fields used for soccer.

Long-term options are challenging, given the limited availability of land for soccer use and the lack of funding for land purchase. Creating an incentive for a private owner to sell at a reduced cost or donate land for this purpose may be a viable approach. Private fundraising and partnerships are also potential approaches to field development. Public supported revenue generators such as parks taxes, bonds or parcel taxes are potential sources of funds for land purchase and/or soccer field development. The Town's Proposition 12 and 40 funds may also be used in conjunction with these sources of funds.

Staff is seeking Council comment and direction on any next steps to take regarding the supply of soccer fields in Los Gatos.

ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT:

Is not a project defined under CEQA, and no further action is required.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Attachments:

1. Supply and Demand Analysis of Soccer Fields in Los Gatos

Distribution:

Soccer Report Contact List, Attachment 1, Exhibit A

SUPPLY AND DEMAND ANALYSIS OF SOCCER FIELDS IN LOS GATOS

INTRODUCTION

The purpose of this report is to provide a summary of the supply and demand for soccer fields in the town of Los Gatos. Part I of the report addresses the demand side of the equation and covers the users of soccer fields, the activities provided by the users and their needs for fields. Part II follows with a discussion of the supply of fields, the impacts of inadequate supply, and discussion of two related issues, the reservation process and field maintenance. Part III is the conclusion. Exhibit A lists the individuals interviewed for this report and includes representatives from the following:

Soccer Groups

1. Los Gatos Saratoga Community Education and Recreation (LGS Recreation)
2. Los Gatos United Soccer League (LGUSL)

Schools and School Districts

1. Union School District (USD)
2. Los Gatos High School
3. Los Gatos Christian Church and School
4. Los Gatos Union School District (LGUSD)

Parks Departments

1. Santa Clara County Parks and Recreation Department
2. Town of Los Gatos Parks and Public Works Department (PPW)

Other Community Groups and Members

1. Addison Penzak, Jewish Community Center (APJCC)

PART I: DEMAND FOR SOCCER FIELDS

PRIMARY SOCCER GROUPS IN LOS GATOS

There are two primary providers of soccer activities for youth in the Town of Los Gatos, the Los Gatos United Soccer League (LGUSL) and the Los Gatos-Saratoga Community Education and Recreation (LGS Recreation). A summary of the 2003-2004 soccer season showing the types of soccer activities provided by LGUSL and LGS Recreation, numbers of participants and needs for soccer fields is shown in Exhibit B. Below is a summary of the two soccer groups.

Los Gatos United Soccer League (LGUSL)

- 501(c)(3) with all-volunteer board, President is Ed San Juan
- Became 501(c)(3) 1979-1980
- Affiliated League in good standing with the CA Youth Soccer Association (CYSA)
- Provides recreational and competitive soccer activities for youth 6-17 years old
- Approximately 1700 youth participate annually (unduplicated)
- Uses soccer fields in Los Gatos Union School District and Union School District

In summary, the two types of soccer activity provided by LGUSL are:

Recreational Soccer

- 75% of LGUSL youth participate in recreational soccer
- Approximately 1250 – 1350 youth participated in 03-04
- Teams start at U6 (under 6) and go all the way to U17
- LGUSL averages 96 recreational teams every year
- Uniforms provided from fees collected
- Play 10 games per fall season
- Largely coached by parents with training from LGUSL
- CYSA goals are for recreational teams that are competitive and geographically diverse; i.e., with even distribution of players in terms of skill levels, and even distribution of players from the community's different schools

Competitive Soccer

- 25% of LGUSL youth participate in competitive soccer
- Approximately 400 youth participated in 03-04
- Teams start at U9 (under 9) and go to U 17 with 2 teams offered per gender, per age
- LGUSL has a total of 28 competitive teams registered to play 04-05
- Purchase their own uniforms
- Play an average of 35 to 70 games per fall season
- Long-term goals for youth on this track is a college scholarship or to play professionally

Los Gatos Saratoga Community Education And Recreation (LGS Recreation)

LGS Recreation is the second largest provider of soccer activities in the Town of Los Gatos and provides recreational soccer programs that start as young as age 3 ½ and go all the way to age 12. The goal of the LGS Recreation programs is to provide a non-competitive, recreational environment for children that includes age-appropriate activities: skill demonstrations, fun games and instructional scrimmages. LGS Recreational offers Kidz Love Soccer classes year round which provide a new definition of winning and focus on the four KLS principles: sportsmanship, effort, learning and fun. LGS Recreation also provides a winter soccer league and summer camps. LGS Recreation has access to an adequate number of soccer fields to meet its current needs.

LGUSL RECREATIONAL AND COMPETITIVE SOCCER ISSUES

Growth of Teams and Players in LGUSL

In the LGUSL Competitive League, teams start at U9 (under 9) and go to U17 with 2 teams offered per gender, per age. The maximum number of competitive clubs/teams that LGUSL can accommodate for the nine age levels of competitive play is 36; currently LGUSL has 28 teams. This is a self-imposed limit since 1995 because LGUSL cannot expand the competitive league without impacting the recreational league due to the limited number of practice fields available.

100% of LGUSL competitive teams maintain a twice per week practice schedule, however, that level is less than many other competitive teams in other leagues. LGUSL estimates that 50% of other competitive league teams in CYSA District 2 practice 3-4 days per week.

CYSA Guidelines Regarding Field Size

The CYSA offers flexible guidelines for field sizes as it would be extremely difficult for teams across the state to meet rigid field size requirements. A field of 60 x 110 yards is considered a full-sized field, although CYSA recommends a field size of 90x130 for youth under 11-17. LGUSL tries to find practice and game fields that are as large as possible. The larger the field, the more the players can get a sense of how the field will be on game day. The size of fields recommended by CYSA for soccer teams varies with age as shown below.

All of the 10 fields available to LGUSL in 04-05 are subdivided for weekly practices. Exhibit E shows how the 10 fields are used for practice, and what age groups can use these fields for games. By dividing the fields in halves or thirds, LGUSL will have 24-26 spots for practice, with teams crowded together, in areas smaller than ideal. Other constraints that come into play are trying to keep older players together and away from younger ones to avoid injuries from misfired balls, and to prevent the younger youth from hearing foul language.

A half field with goals is required by the older competitive teams, i.e., under 11 and older, while younger competitive teams can get by with a field with no goals. LGUSL is the only league in CYSA District 2 that has competitive teams practice on fields with no goals, due to field availability constraints. LGUSL coaches have been known to purchase and bring portable goals for their teams.

The smallest size field that would help to address the need for practice fields in Los Gatos is 40 x 40. The youngest teams, U6-8 could hold their practices on a small field of 40 x 40, but not all aspects of the game can be practiced.

CYSA Age groups	Recreational			Competitive League		
	Max. Team Size	# teams per gender	Field size recommended (in yards)	Max. Team Size	# teams per gender	Field size recommended (in yards)
Under 6	12	4 G, 8 B	20 x 30	NA	NA	NA
Under 7-8	13	13 G, 19 B	40 x 70	NA	NA	NA
Under 9-10	13	9 G, 17 B	50 x 80	13	4 G, 3 B	50 x 80
Under 11-17	18	13 G, 13 B	60 x 110 min.	18	13 G, 8 B	60 x 110 min.

organized sports. Additionally, Vasona Park has a large population of wild geese and, to a somewhat lesser degree, ducks and coots. The amount of fecal matter left by the water fowl feeding activities on the lawn areas has also discouraged use in the past for sports activities. The open areas are maintained for leisure activities such as Frisbee-throwing, kite-flying, and pickup games of football, etc. By practice, county parks in general do not allow organized sports; rather they have a policy for providing parkland for passive activities and open space. Any organized sporting use of the county park would require a permit, and these have been denied repeatedly to LGUSL.

The 1993 Playfield Advisory Committee Report specifically states that the Vasona Park Director made 10 fields available in the park for weekday practice. It is unclear when such usage stopped. LGS Recreation staff does not recall using Vasona for their soccer activities. Current members of LGUSL board do not recall using Vasona Park for soccer activities, nor does Vasona Park staff recall making the lawn area available for soccer practice.

Los Gatos High School

LGS Recreation utilizes the fields at the high school for camps in the summer for youth ages 5-12. Soccer Club of Los Gatos utilized the soccer field at the high school on Fridays from 4:30-6:30 in April - June '04 but it caused conflicts with the concurrent softball practice at an adjacent field, and the club is no longer using the field. According to the high school vice-principal, the high school fields are not available because they are so heavily used that they need a break to recover to be in any kind of useable shape for the high school students. In addition, the fields would not be available until after 5:30 pm, and after daylight savings occurs at the end of October, it's too dark to play soccer as the fields are not lighted. Lighting the fields is not advised due to objections from the neighbors.

Addison Penzak, Jewish Community Center (APJCC)

This center is currently under construction and will be adding a fitness center to their facilities. APJCC anticipates having one soccer field available to the community for a fee. Anticipated construction completion and field availability is July '05. Previously, APJCC had 1-2 soccer fields available for a fee. Staff at the Jewish Community Center advises that potential playing field users send a letter to the Executive Director stating their needs and interest levels in future playing fields at the JCC.

Los Gatos Christian Church and School

According to the 1993 Playfield Advisory Committee Report, Los Gatos Christian Church made playfields available to outside groups. Since that time, demand from church and school leagues for playfields has increased resulting in the need for the church to rent additional soccer fields from the City of San Jose. Consequently the soccer field is no longer available to outside groups. The church has one soccer field and plans to develop another one on its property.

gender, for reasons discussed previously. Although the competitive league of LGUSL is not yet at full capacity(1), when two teams in a particular age group and gender are full, additional players must be turned away. In addition, many competitive clubs or teams desire to practice more often than the twice per week schedule that LGUSL can offer. Five teams "left" the league in the past few years knowing that they could play year-round elsewhere; LGUSL does not offer competitive play during winter. There is an estimated 150-200 youth from Los Gatos playing in other leagues such as DeAnza, Central Valley and Almaden Leagues. In addition, competitive clubs desire the best quality fields available. Los Gatos fields are known to be of poor quality and other leagues don't enjoy playing on them.

RESERVING FIELDS

Reserving fields among Los Gatos organized sports teams does not appear to be a problem. The Los Gatos Union District has a process that has been in place for many years and the major users know one another and work out their schedules collectively. The Union School District implemented a new process this past year and LGUSL reports no problems with it.

Union School District (USD)

USD called all sports groups to a meeting and worked out a schedule collectively. This is the first year that the Union District is charging fees: \$15/player/season, plus \$100/field utilized/month. The fees served to manage demand. LGUSL felt the process was reasonable.

Los Gatos Union School District (LGUSD) Process through LGS Recreation

Each year LGS Recreation sets their class and sport schedule, blocks out their needs on the Field Availability Schedule and thus determines when elementary school fields are available to outside groups, i.e., LGUSL, Little League and Pony League Baseball, and Los Gatos-Saratoga Girls Fast Pitch Softball. LGS Recreation then sends this Field Availability Schedule of Elementary & Middle School Fields, to LGUSD. The outside groups also review the Field Availability Schedule, and the three groups work together to set up practice and play schedule, generally 6 days/week, for all three sports. LGUSL then sends a final copy of the schedule to the LGUSD and to the LGS Recreation. When needed, LGS Recreation will facilitate discussion among the outside groups to finalize the playfield schedule.

FIELD MAINTENANCE

All individuals interviewed for this report agree that maintenance of school soccer fields is inadequate. Hampered by limited funds, school districts cannot keep the fields at desired levels.

Soccer Report Contact List

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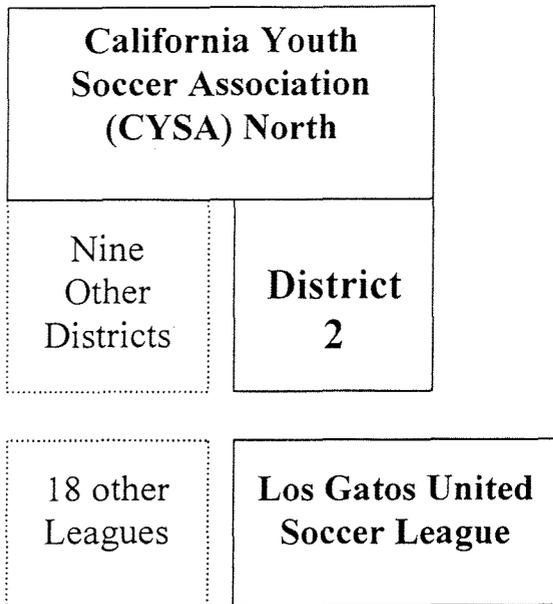
Annual Soccer Schedule By Season with 2003-2004 Participant Numbers

	FALL	WINTER	SPRING	SUMMER
Dates:	Mid-September to Mid-December	Mid-January to End of March	April to mid-June	Late June to Late August
LGS Recreation	Kidz Love Soccer Ages 3½ - 12 (500)	Kidz Love Soccer Ages 3½ - 12 (200) Winter Warriors Ages 5-12 (150)	Kidz Love Soccer Ages 3½ - 12 (350)	Kidz Love Soccer Ages 3½ - 12 (200) Summer Camps Ages 5-12 (350)
Total Players	500	350	350	550
Fields Needed	Need: 3 flds. 3days/wk Have: Same	Need: 3 flds. 3days/wk Have: Same	Need: 3 flds. 3days/wk Have: Same	CLASSES Need: 2 flds. 3days/wk Have: Same CAMPS Need: 4 flds. 5 da/wk Have: 3 flds ¹ . 5 da/wk

	FALL Aug. 1 – Dec. 1 Major Season	WINTER Dec. 1 – Mar. 31	SPRING Apr. 1- June 1	SUMMER July 1-31 st
Los Gatos United Soccer League (LGUSL)	25% of participants are on LGUSL Comp. teams Ages 9-17 (400) 75% of participants are on LGUSL Rec. teams Ages 6-17 (1200-1300)	Only make-ups for postponed games; Most held indoors at “Off the Wall Soccer” in Santa Clara; Need practice fields for Under 14 and below – 15-20 teams	Approx. 400 youth Ages: 9-17 Just Competitive teams; no Rec. teams	Approx. 400 youth Ages: 9-17 Just Competitive teams; no Rec. teams
Total Players	Approx. 1700	200-300	Approx. 400	Approx. 400
Fields Needed	Need: 15 Have: 9 (Oster only available in Spring)	Need: 3-5 Have: 2	Need: 6 Have: 2	Need: 4-5 Have: 1

¹ Optimally, LGS Recreation needs 4 fields. Have been using 3 to make 4 smaller fields and they consider their needs met.

Los Gatos United Soccer League and CYSA Structure



CYSA

CYSA is a non-profit corporation supported through player registration fees, league fees, sponsorships and donations. Goal: provide an opportunity for youth players of all skill levels to participate in soccer programs.

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Districts

Geographic designations established by CYSA.

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Leagues

A league is a structured organization within a CYSA District whose purpose is to offer competition to the teams registered with it. Teams shall be divided into CYSA age groups, and play amongst themselves according to an established schedule, spread through a season of play.

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Teams

<u>Select</u> (Class 1 - Competitive)	<u>Competitive</u> (Class 3 - Semi-Competitive)	<u>Recreational</u> (Class 4 - Recreational)	<u>Special</u> (Class 5 - TOPSoccer)
<p>Top level teams formed by selection process; compete only in Division 1 or State level play.</p>	<p>Intermediate level teams formed by tryout selection process; compete only in Division 3 level play.</p>	<p>Teams formed within a home league on an equal in strength basis. Tryouts forbidden. Competes only in Division 4 level play.</p>	<p>Community based soccer designed to meet the needs of children 4-19 years of age with physical or mental disabilities.</p>
<p>The Two Competitive Divisions are Comprised of Club Teams</p> <p>A club is a structured organization whose purpose it is to sponsor 1 or more teams to play soccer in a CYSA affiliated league or leagues.</p> <p>LGUSL has 28 Club Teams: Examples: Soccer Club of Los Gatos, Los Gatos United, Los Gatos Cats, AC Los Gatos, Los Gatos Pride</p>		<p>The Rec. Division is Comprised of "In-House Teams"</p> <p>LGUSL averages 95 in-house or recreational teams/season</p>	<p>No demand for TOPSoccer; To date LGUSL plays every player who has come forward, in the Rec. league, including those with physical limitations.</p>

Fees for Soccer Activities & Field Maintenance in Los Gatos

LGS Recreation

Player Fees

Kidz Love Soccer: \$74-84 for 8 weeks; Winter Warriors: \$92 for 8 meetings

Summer Camps: \$88-\$192 based on age/length of camp

Players Receive: Uniforms, tee-shirts, balls depending upon which activity

LGS Rec. Field Maintenance Costs are included in annual LGUSD facility use fee.

Los Gatos United Soccer League

Player Fees

Recreational Soccer Fees - \$135/player/fall season

Competitive Soccer Fees - \$160/player/fall season

Players Receive: Uniforms, Insurance, Pictures, Trained Coaches and Referees (3/game), facility rentals for mtgs. & registration, Tournament fees, etc.

League Costs: (These costs factored into player fees above.) To Union School District for field use: \$15/player/season, plus \$100/field utilized/month

To Los Gatos Union School District for field use/maintenance: Set monies aside specifically for maintenance, approximately \$10k-\$17k. Avg. annual cost approx. \$3-4k per large field; have 5 large in 04-05. Cover minimal work to other fields (pot holes.) Cost Sharing: LGUSL paid \$9K & \$5K for a topsoiler and an aerator in a cost sharing arrangement with LGUSD and other sports organizations

Sizes of LGUSL's Game and Practice Fields Available in 04-05

Union School District Sites	Field Size	Accommodates games for what ages?	Subdivides into practice fields		Status of Usage
1) Carlton Elementary	100x45	U10	40x35	60x40	Only fall soccer season
2) Lone Hill Elementary	80x80	U10	80x40	80x40	
3) Noddin Elementary	100x40	U12	60x50 ¹	50x40	Fall '04 will be first usage due to repairs now complete
4) Oster Elementary	100x100	Full sized All Ages	50x50	50x50	Available in Spring Only
5) Union Middle School	100x60 & 70x40	All Ages	2 @ 50x30	2 @ 40x40	Fall '04 will be first usage in 3-4 years
11) De Voss	110x50	All Ages	60x50	60x50	Fall 04 Available
12) Howes/Stratford	110x50	All Ages	60x50	60x50	Used for past 3 years

Los Gatos Union School District Sites	Field Size	Accommodates games for what ages?	Subdivided into practice fields		Status of Usage
1) Fisher Middle School	110x60	All Ages	60x55	60x55	LGUSL heavy use
2) Van Meter Elementary	60x40	U6	40x30	40x30	In use Fall 04
3) Daves Avenue Elementary	100x40	U10	50x40	50x40	Not available May 2005 to 2008
4) Blossom Hill School	80x50	U10	50x40	50x40	Not available May 2005 to 2008

¹ The Field Size indicates the optimal space that "painted off" to make a game field at each location. When creating two smaller practice fields, however, from the game field, additional footage may be incorporated to make the fields as large as possible, even though it is not desirable to be included in the painted off section for the game field.

Los Gatos United Soccer League Field Usage From 2001-2005

Union School District Sites	LGUSL 01-02	LGUSL 02-03	LGUSL 03-04	LGUSL 04-05	Status of Usage
1) Alta Vista Elementary	--	--	--	--	Field is slanted; mostly used by girls softball
2) Athenour Elementary ¹	--	--	--	--	Outside Boundaries ²
3) Carlton Elementary	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Only fall soccer season
4) Dartmouth Middle School	--	--	--	--	Outside Boundaries
5) Guadalupe Elementary	--	--	--	--	Outside Boundaries
6) Lietz Elementary	--	--	--	--	Outside Boundaries
7) Lone Hill Elementary	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	
8) Noddin Elementary	Yes	Yes	NA during construction	Yes	Fall '04 will be first usage due to repairs now complete
9) Oster Elementary	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Available in Spring Only in 04-05
10) Union Middle School	Closed for construction	Closed for construction	Closed for construction	Yes	Fall '04 will be first usage in 3-4 years due to repairs
11) De Voss	Yes	Yes	--	Yes	Fall '04 Available
12) Cinnabar	--	--	Yes	--	Home field for Little League; Doesn't work well for soccer
13) Howes/Stratford	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Used for past 3 years
14) Mirrasou/Los Gatos Academy	Yes	Yes	Yes	--	Angled field, not usable
15) Ross	Yes	Yes	Yes	--	Bowl-shaped, not usable

¹Sites 2, 7, 11-15 are Union Elementary School District Leased Sites; i.e., leased to private schools, preschools, etc.

² It is a violation of League regulations to use fields outside of CYSA District 2 boundaries. Teams would be encroaching on another League's practice area.