



West Valley Girls Softball: Lease Agreement

I am aware of the longstanding situation that the West Valley Girls Softball League is facing regarding the use of a playing field. It has been a continuing battle for WVGS to retain use of the Hughes field, which they have used and improved in previous years. I am a strong supporter of their efforts to obtain a long term lease agreement with the LAUSD for the use of the abandoned Hughes athletic field. I believe in this organization and all that it stands for, which is why I testified on their behalf at a LAUSD Board Meeting last month and have assisted them in finding a permanent home over the past seven years.

I was confident that this matter would be resolved with a lease agreement between LAUSD and WVGS; however, it has recently been brought to my attention that the School Board may be going in another direction and lease the field to a Calabasas-based Soccer Club Team.

I find it outrageous that a team based in another city could displace an organization that has opened its arms to young girls and made many improvements to the facilities that it has called home for the past 10 years.

I want the public to know that I have gone above and beyond to help with this matter that is ultimately not under my jurisdiction. I urge you to continue to contact your LAUSD representative to express your support and join me in our fight to provide a home for West Valley Girls Softball.

The School Board Representative for Hughes is Marlene Canter. Her phone number is 213-241-6387.

Sincerely,
Dennis P. Zine
Your Third District Councilman