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What can we do for you?: Dear Mayor, City Council Members, Fire Division and Parks & Recreation Division,

I realize this email is slated for Council however I wish for it to also be distributed to whom I've addressed. I wanted to share that as a resident, I am opposed to using the Nexus money directly for an additional fire station. Note, I'm not stating that additional fire stations are not needed in the community however my belief that these funds should be coming from regular planning and/or taxes as such to fund and not from monies from the NEXUS settlement that should be used for the community as a whole to further things that can be utilized by the community as a whole. One could argue that additional fire stations does benefit the whole and yet I argue that there are few in the community that visit a fire station regularly. The benefit is indirect. I want to see DIRECT benefits to the community. One council member stated things like ball fields. Yes, this is a good use. I contend and past surveys have shown the desire of the public for a community pool. A community pool is a massive undertaking and NEXUS money could be put to amazing use here that could benefit a HUGE community and let me explain. What I propose is not a summer use only pool. What I propose is a pool that is 50 meters long, with 3 meter and 1 meter diving capability, fun slides, lazy river and the best part, a retractable roof. YES, a retractable roof! I've witnessed MANY of these and they're not as difficult to achieve as one would think. I have known for years that the YMCA wishes to have a 50 meter pool. The Green Local Schools NEEDS a pool as Akron General usage is a bandaid and we can not host diving. I would love to see a partnership between the CITY, the YMCA and GLS and build something that can benefit the community, schools, & Y members. If the City wanted to approach Akron General for a 4th partnership then great. The pool however would need to have enough lanes so that the lanes can be turned 90 degrees. By doing so you have plenty of lane ! space to service all of the partnerships for availability. In! the summertime, the lanes can be removed and with the slides and lazy river et al....it becomes a community facility in the summer. Because you would make it large enough with a proper tribune for seating and diving options the profitability of the pool would be secured because it could host MANY competitions from Youth through USA Swimming and all the way through University Conference swimming. I can assure you that the pools around us are booked as much as possible. The impact beyond this is the economic impact to the greater hotel and restaurant and shopping when others visit. A retractable and well built facility can serve the community (having a DIRECT positive impact from NEXUS MONEY) and also be profitable to keep the cost of operation under control. This is do-able and this would directly impact and fulfill a need of the community. A fire station is clearly a non-touchable benefit. It is an indirect benefit. Yes, it would impact response times primarily in ! that quadrant of the city and indirectly help the other stations not have to respond to that area freeing up their time for their own quadrants but it is truly not a touchable benefit to everyone in the community. The NEXUS settlement caused such strife in the community. We need to use the money for something so crazy positive and touchable by ALL and not for a fire station. I believe strongly in this as does my whole household. I am willing to discuss more with ANY member of the community and show photos of such facilities. Please call me.

I sincerely thank you for listening,
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