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Subject: Public notice posted to my front door

I recently removed and read a public notice taped to my front door regarding an offer to purchase the Lemoore muni golf course. I will not be able to attend the December 17 meeting indicated on the notice, so here are my thoughts on this subject. Sell! Sell! Sell! At the very least find someone which has vision and guts to provide the necessary course improvements and with a better sense of entrepreneurship than the current Rhoads Golf. The course is in dire need of quality changes which need to include personalities encountered on checking in at tee time.

Every person there has developed the personality of the person in charge and has driven myself to avoid playing the course on a regular basis. The course layout is out dated and lacking in structure which would provide an experience to warrant the fees. To be quite frank, the course layout is extremely boring! In my opinion, to have the Tachi Yokut Tribe offer to take over, gives me encouragement on seeing these changes in the near future.

Approximately 2 yrs ago, I offered mr Rhoads some advice on this subject, as well as, offering my interest in providing a specialty of custom golf fittings on site at no additional cost to him or the course. He turned down the offer and has remained status quo.

Maybe the next operator will have vision!

Thanks for this opportunity to share!

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Subject: Golf Course Comments

To the Lemoore City Council,

The comments below are from my father who is a resident of Hanford, but travels to the Lemoore Golf Course to play golf 3-5 times per week.

Dear Council,

These comments are concerning the sale of the Lemoore Golf Course. I have lived in Hanford for 25 years, and for the last 5 years I have been playing golf in Lemoore 3-5 times per week. The sale of the golf course would greatly affect me as well as several other men I play with. My first concern stems from the possible increase of green fees. I am retired, and my income is unlikely to increase any time soon. An increase in green fees could make it hard for me to continue to play at the Lemoore Golf Course. It would not be reasonable to assume Tachi Yokut tribe does not want a return on their investment if they were to purchase the golf course. In order for them to make payments to the City of Lemoore, and make a profit they would most likely have to raise green fees. My fear is that this increase would limit the amount of people who could afford to play there on a regular basis, which includes myself.

My second concern would be for the current employees of the golf course. These people would likely lose their jobs. While the Tachi Yokut tribe has stated they could reapply, many tribe members would also apply. These tribe members would probably receive preferential status when going through the application process. The people who already work there would be forced to find new employment in an economy where jobs can be hard to find.

My third concern is with what may happen to the golf course after the 15 year payment plan is completed. The City of Lemoore would no longer have a say in what happens with the golf course. The course takes up a large area within the city, and many residents live on the golf course. There could be nothing the city could do to stop the Tachi Yokut tribe from potentially closing the course if it does not return a profit, change, or add to it. Depending the circumstances this could be detrimental to the residents who live on the course, and could become quite an

eye sore if it gets ran down. The city could lose tax revenue on the current and future properties surrounding the golf course.

In addition the golf course, as it is currently ran, has helped many people and organizations in the community by raising money. Most recently Mr. Rhoads helped the Darpli family raise over \$17,000 for Brooke Darpli who was in a horrific traffic accident in October. Would the golf course continue to do that if it was not publicly owned?

It is important that you all spend a significant amount of time thinking about the sale of this golf course. While I commend you all on your efforts to improve the City of Lemoore, there are some issues a city faces that cannot be looked at from a business stand point. As council members you must weigh the intangible consequences of selling a piece of public property. With that being said I strongly encourage you to support the Rhoads Management Company leasing option, rather than the outright sale of the golf course.

Thank you for your time,

John Blackburn

If you have any questions or concerns please feel free to contact me at 559-362-3783 or reply to this message and my daughter will pass the information to me.