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Hello PRC members:

As I'm running another meeting at the same time as yours, I'm concerned I might not be on hand to make these points in real time, so I'd like to share them with you here:

- The survey separated restrooms from water service for consideration, but, in cases where restroom facilities will be installed, including water services as well ought to be an expected and reasonable outcome.
- The new Exploration Portal project at the Discovery Museum in San Jose (<https://explorationportal.org/>) looks great! Please refer to this and consider similar projects in the Plan for our city.
- In any outreach to the community, please highlight community projects such as the Cuesta Park and Heritage Park pollinator gardens and Soil&Water work as well. Community partnerships are so essential to the success of the Plan.
- Survey material referred to lighting strategies as "appropriate" and "sensitive". These terms are rather vague and can be subjective in how they're interpreted. Key in Plan development is ensuring that lighting policies anticipate the upcoming dark sky policies and ordinances for Mountain View.
- One of the consultants cited the distinction between multi-use lawn fields and multi-use sports fields. This distinction is very important to make as these two types are certainly not one and the same, and neither term should be used for the other, and saying multi-use fields only would not be specific enough and could lead to false expectations.

Thanks for your consideration,

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