



# ROB MCNELIS

## COUNCIL MEMBER

Bill Berghoff  
President, Sportsplex USA  
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Dear Bill,

I understand you will soon be heading to Elk Grove to present in front of the City Council a proposal to build a Sportsplex facility. Please feel free to use this letter as record of support of your abilities to put together an exceptional project! I can attest to the fact that you and your staff worked diligently to answer all of the concerns from not only the Santee City Council, but from the community of Santee as well. I know when the project was first proposed, it fell against a coalition of naysayers, and you were able to turn every last one of them around. Your facility is now one of the crown jewels in the city of Santee as well as a very important part of our balanced budget. Having the number of players that you bring into our town on a weekly basis has really helped stimulate our local business economy. Many of our local restaurants now have to "staff up" in order to accommodate the new customers that your facility brings in. This is a good problem to have! One of the other benefits is that we now have several hotels talking to us about coming to town to take advantage of this small economic boom Sportsplex USA has afforded us. As a Councilman I am very proud to say that Santee is proof that a "Public/Private" partnership can thrive in a progressive city.

If any of the Council Members or staff would like to speak to me directly about this, please feel free to pass along my contact information.

Most Sincerely,

Rob McNelis  
City Councilman