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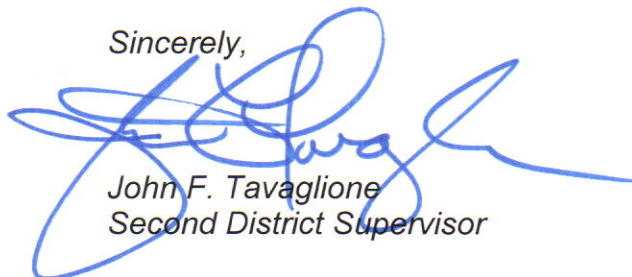
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Dear Board members:

After further consideration of the issues associated with the County Parks and Open Space District (County Parks) taking over the operation and maintenance of the Jurupa Valley Boxing Club (Item 3.49 of 10/07/08), it has been determined that County Parks can absorb the anticipated cost of operating and maintaining the boxing club (\$40,000) for the remainder of the fiscal year in its existing budget. Therefore, I will change the recommended motion to direct that the transition occur without a budget adjustment for FY 2008/2009. However, I would also request that the Executive Office evaluate funding options with Parks to operate the Jurupa Valley Boxing Club in FY 2009/2010.

Further, given the rapid urbanization of the County and the ever-increasing pressures put on local special districts to provide services, I think that the County should also evaluate the potential of Parks to expand a recreation component to their mission. Therefore, the Board should direct the Executive Office to evaluate the need for County Parks to expand the recreation component of the services it provides in all five Supervisorial Districts, and report back in the Mid-Year budget report.

Sincerely,



John F. Tavaglione
Second District Supervisor

Cc: Bill Luna, County Executive Officer

**SUBMITTAL TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA**



FROM: Supervisor John Tavaglione

SUBMITTAL DATE: October 7, 2008

SUBJECT: Jurupa Valley Boxing Club

RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Riverside County Board of Supervisors (1) support the transfer of the Jurupa Valley Boxing Club to the Riverside County Regional Parks and Open-Space District; (2) approve and direct the Auditor-Controller to adjust appropriations as indicated on page two; and (3) approve ongoing financial support to the Riverside County Regional Parks and Open-Space District for operations and maintenance of the Jurupa Valley Boxing Club.

BACKGROUND: The Jurupa Valley Boxing Club opened in 2006, after the Riverside County Redevelopment Agency purchased a vacated retail building, refurbished it and turned it over to the non-profit board of the Jurupa Valley Boxing Club to operate. Due to various challenges the non-profit has faced, the Board of Directors recently requested that the Riverside County Regional Parks and Open Space District (County Parks) take over operations of the facility. County Parks has agreed and has prepared a budget of \$40,000 for the remainder of the current fiscal year. The annual budget for next fiscal year is projected to be \$75,000 (based on available information). We recommend that County Parks take over operations effective November 1, 2008.

The facility is currently under-utilized due to the difficulties the non-profit has faced. County Parks recommends that the current requirement that users pay a fee for access be eliminated. The original intent for constructing the boxing club was to provide at-risk and low-income youth with a place to call their own that was a safe alternative to gangs and drugs. Charging user fees prevents some of these individuals from using the facility and essentially took away access to some of those who needed the facility the most. In addition, the revenue generated from the fees was not substantial and did not cover the expenses it was designed to pay for. In addition, this will make the program consistent with two other boxing clubs within the City of Riverside, which do not charge their participants a fee.

County Parks has primarily been involved with regional park and open space issues and not active recreation. This is a departure from that role, but one that they are poised to take given the urbanization of the county and the ever-changing needs of the public for recreational opportunities.

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**REQUIRES
4/5th's VOTE**

John Tavaglione, Supervisor
Second District

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AGENDA NO.

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Increase Appropriations: 10000-1101000000-551100	Contributions to other county funds	\$40,000
Decrease Appropriations: 10000-1109000000-581000	<i>Appropriations for contingency</i>	\$40,000
Increase Appropriations: 25400-931104-523350	Administrative Expense	\$40,000
Increase Revenue: 25400-931104-790600	Contributions from other county funds	\$40,000