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Subject

Public shuttles or Transit around the Crossroads and Fox Run shopping areas

Address

Portsmouth

Message

It would be helpful if there could be more of a focus on the residents who WALK --that is, who do not drive (either because they choose to avoid the expense or because they have a medical issue). Many individuals walk a couple of miles a day going to the bank, Market Baskets, Whole Foods, businesses on Congress, Market and Pleasant as well as going to library, and the shops at Newington. Is it possible that you can get involved in the reconfiguration of the malls with Cosc's coming, and A) arrange a better walking path around the mall, ALLOW for Wild Cat and Coast Buses to drop of persons art stops which make sense. In the hot sun of summer or cold winter days the bus stops for walmart, and TX Road House or Habitat, Barns and Nobles do not work. We all pay taxes and there needs to be some realization of what walkers are going through to carry out their daily lives. Some have very strange ideas about "buses" --without them many, many residents who pay taxes could not support the businesses in the area. One cannot even right now walk to Walmart from Trader Joe's. This is absurd. And Coast doesn't even drop you off at Walmart now--Could you please consider getting into this issue(s) and down the road have some members on the council who are "walkers" rather than

just being car drivers and bikers?

Thank you

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Submitted on Thu, 06/18/2026 - 21:04

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Subject

Spinnaker Point Funding and Possible Closing of facility

Address

[REDACTED]

Portsmouth, New Hampshire. 03801-5215

Message

To the Council: As a Senior Citizen and Portsmouth resident for nearly 20 years, I am concerned that the Spinnaker Point facility is in danger of closing. My understanding is that it is mostly self-funded, and that the facility collects enough in fees to maintain its budget. I am sure that is not the whole story, because so many functions of the facility are tied into City operations and administration. Whether it is filling potholes, plowing the parking lot, repair and maintenance of building mechanicals, supplying water, there are many ways the City is involved with funding Spinnaker Point. I see that Councilors Bagley and Moreau have recommended increasing fees for non-residents, and I support this. I would certainly be willing to pay more for my annual membership. I paid \$112 for my membership last year, and I made nearly 40 visits. This comes out to less than \$3 a visit. Even though I am a senior living off a fixed and limited income, I can certainly afford to pay \$4 a visit.

When I'm chatting with the other senior ladies in the locker room, we all agree that our membership is

a lifesaver. We strengthen our bones and keep ourselves healthy with the exercise the Spinnaker Point provides. In the winter, we use the track for walking and the pool for swimming and water walking. I love the stationary bicycle and the weight room, and so do many other seniors. It's just such a pleasure to be in a clean, well maintained facility. As seniors, we benefit from seeing each friends and acquaintances, have great conversations, and many laughs. We agree that Spinnaker Point is a great service to Portsmouth's senior citizens.

We often have people with intellectual disabilities using the facility as well. This is a place where they can swim and use the weight room without concern of harassment, and for a reasonable fee.

Spinnaker Point is an important resource for Portsmouth residents, as well as the surrounding communities. It's a place where people don't have to feel like they are competing with the gym bros. Where a woman can lift weights without being harassed. There's plenty of different types of equipment available, clean and well maintained. There may be other ways it could be better utilized, such as more senior fitness programs in the afternoons--most seniors aren't ready for morning workouts.

So please, let's not close the facility. The pool is my lifeline, one of my greatest joys in the winter, and even in the summer. It's so nice to not be in a pool with Olympic swimmers and kids. We seniors thank you for keeping Spinnaker Point open.

Sincerely,
Sylvia Olson

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SAFETY

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Portsmouth, New Hampshire. 03801

Message

Brewster street continues to lack the one way markings that the level of traffic required islington street has no speed deterrents and flashing pedestrian lights. The residents of this neighborhood are not safe. If we're going to have successful west end businesses the visitors need to know how to drive. The lack of speeding deterrents and one way signage is abhorrent compared to other busy areas of the city.

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