

MEMORANDUM

Date: November 30, 2020

To: The Honorable Chairman and Members

Pima County Board of Supervisors

From: C.H. Huckelberry

County Administra

Supervisors Elect

Pima County Board of Supervisors

Re: Suspending Use of County Facilities for Sports Tournaments, Leagues and Team

Activities

A steady increase in COVID-19 infection rates led to a November 19, 2020 decision to stop allowing out-of-state hosted tournaments and teams to play at County sports facilities. This decision did not discontinue use of County facilities for local and Arizona-based teams and leagues.

As communicated in my November 23, 2020 memorandum, there is significant and widespread community COVID-19 infection. As a result, I made a request to the Pima County School Superintendent asking that public schools begin the process to immediately cease all Fall athletic events. The vast majority of school districts, including Tucson Unified School District and Vail School District, have responsibly acted by cancelling football and other sports for the remainder of 2020. The major outliers are the private and parochial schools. We will encourage schools and school districts to complete the suspended Fall athletic season, if the public health data supports this action, by scheduling a late Spring series of games, similar to how the University of Arizona schedules Spring football training events.

Consistent with these actions to protect public health and reduce the spread of COVID-19, I am directing Natural Resources Parks and Recreation and the Kino Sports Complex to immediately begin the process to suspend use of County facilities for sports tournaments, leagues and team use. Suspension of these activities will remain in effect through December 31, 2020. If conditions substantially improve we will reconsider this action.

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