

MEMORANDUM

TO: Mayor and Town Council
FROM: Robert Middaugh, Town Administrator
DATE: March 31, 2000
RE: Davie Elementary School Shelter

The Town has been approached by Davie Elementary School to participate in a shelter which would be constructed on the school playground. The shelter would cost approximately \$125,000.00 and would be of similar size to the Silver Ridge Elementary School shelter.

Over the past several years, Davie Elementary School through various fund raising activities has generated approximately \$22,000.00 toward the total necessary for construction. The Board of Education has indicated their intent to assist with funding the project but has asked that the Town make an initial commitment before finalizing their level of participation.

The Town's participation would only be appropriate if there are sufficient Town wide uses which could be made of the shelter during non-school hours. I have asked our Parks and Recreation Director to assess such potential use. Attached is a list of possible shelter uses by the Town.

In the event that the Town's wide use of the shelter is adequate, a Town contribution of some size could be appropriate. The only caution I would offer to the members of the Town Council is that the Town not be put in a position of regular contributions to Board of Education facilities and projects.

My suggestion to the Council is that a fair contribution from the Town, would be to offer to match the Davie Elementary School fund raising activities up to \$25,000.00 and ask that the Board of Education provide the balance of the funding.

If the Council is comfortable with this or any other funding decisions I will prepare the necessary background material for future formal action by the members of Council.

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PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT

TO: Robert Middaugh, Town Administrator

FROM: Sharon Kent, Parks and Recreation Director

DATE: March 29, 2000

SUBJECT: Davie Elementary Proposed School Shelter

I spoke to the Ms. Phyllis Dolin, Principal of the Davie Elementary School, about the proposed shelter at this school location. Based upon her comments regarding the placement of the shelter and how the school would fence off the remainder of the school property so the Town would be able to use the property during non-school hours, the Town could utilize the shelter, which is adjacent to the Bill Gessner Sports Complex, for coaches meetings, team meetings, additional refreshment centers for tournaments, a shady area for ballfield patrons and as an additional park shelter for patrons on the east side of the Town.