



## **City of Hughson- Supports Community Recreation & Lebright Field**

The City of Hughson and the Hughson Unified School District have been in agreement since 1977 that the youth baseball field commonly known as “Lebright Field” is in the community’s best interest and a common benefit to public recreation. Since that time, Hughson families have spent many evenings and weekends watching their children participate in various sports activities at “Lebright Field” and now those children have families of their own with an expectation of spending evenings and weekends watching their children.

This phenomenon is called community, and this is exactly the outcome envisioned by the Hughson City Council in 1977 when they entered into an agreement with the Hughson Unified School District to make improvements to the Lebright site using the City’s share of then State Beach, Park, Recreational and Historical Facilities Bond Act funds to transform the site into a baseball field for the community.

In recent years, the City and the School District have had many discussions at regular 2+2 Committee meetings regarding the future of “Lebright Field” where the City of Hughson made clear its desire to exercise contractually its right to acquire “Lebright Field” in the event the District ever declared it as surplus property. While the Hughson Unified School District inferred it would offer the Lebright site to the City of Hughson they also indicated they felt a need to keep their options open. To date the District has never declared “Lebright” as surplus; therefore, the site remains unavailable for the City to retain for community recreation purposes through acquisition.

The City of Hughson remains committed to a philosophy of creating community through parks and recreation whenever and wherever possible. This is clearly demonstrated by the City’s commitment and investment in beautiful Starn Park and developing Andrew Fontana Park.

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