

From: [Amy Ripp](#)
To: [Finance Committee](#)
Subject: EMLL baseball complex
Date: Thursday, April 9, 2026 1:57:46 PM

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We support the city buying the EMLL complex to continue this wonderful club!!

Hello!

As long time Madison residents and UW graduates, now residing in Sun Prairie/Dane County, we'd like to tell you how awesome the East Madison Little League organization is and how much fun kids from around the area have with this park & club. It's a fantastic group!! Our son and many of his friends, play in this league in the fall and enjoy the friendships they make and the camaraderie they build with Madison ballers, their families and teammates. The club is well run, super upbeat and welcoming, and the coaches are encouraging and fun. There is nothing quite like playing your first ballgame under the lights!! This park has been a landmark for the east OscarMayer neighborhood for years and we hope that will continue for many more!!

Thank you!

Jeff, Amy & Waylon Ripp

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From: [Christine Chapin](#)
To: [Finance Committee](#)
Subject: Baseball location north side
Date: Thursday, April 9, 2026 2:40:55 PM

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We are so grateful for the amazing location of the baseball field to our home! We have biked there as a family on many summer nights, and see so many other families biking and walking to this magical little park. Please keep it going for all the north side kids who don't have easy access to baseball and parks!

Christy Ramkey

From: [Jen Corbett](#)
To: [Finance Committee](#)
Subject: Agenda Item 13, 92425
Date: Thursday, April 9, 2026 4:54:14 PM

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Hello,

I'd like to register my family's support for the city to purchase the land that East Madison Little League (EMLL) currently occupies. Ensuring that this space remains useable for EMLL is of huge value to Madison families. EMLL is an exemplary organization for sports, community, and local pride with high engagement teams, athletics development, a highly involved Board, and a way for whole families to build community.

The location is easily accessible to many by bike and walking, as it is by bus and car. Keeping this space as an accessible green space is also a boon to the Madison community. We hope you will consider this purchase and leasing to EMLL to keep this gem alive and serving our city.

Jen Corbett and Jon Schroeder

From: [Cheryl Sullivan](#)
To: [Finance Committee](#)
Subject: 92425 Agenda Item during 4/13/26 meeting
Date: Thursday, April 9, 2026 4:54:19 PM

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Hello,

I am writing in favor of the land issue that will benefit East Madison Little League, that will allow EMLL to keep their current sports land available to EMLL to lease. Having that sports land available for the kids who will play there is important for their health and well being.

Thank you!
Cheryl Sullivan

From: [Mary Cullen](#)
To: [Finance Committee](#)
Subject: East Madison Little League Site
Date: Friday, April 10, 2026 8:36:46 AM

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Dear Committee,

I wanted to reach out with my support for the city's acquisition of the East Madison Little League site. For the last few years our three children have participated in this league and it has been incredible to see how many parts of our micro community are represented there. We have seen the benefits of having a community asset that fosters family-centric and healthy activity and as I look at the older kids and families that have come up through this program all I can think is how important it is to continue to give the east side kids this opportunity.

Thank you for your consideration.

Mary Cullen

Sent from my iPhone

From: [Kevin J. Horvath](#)
To: [Finance Committee](#)
Subject: Finance Committee Meeting
Date: Friday, April 10, 2026 9:05:42 AM

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I say “Yes”, to agenda item #13.

Kevin J. Horvath
918 Menomonie Lane
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Kevin (Gaelic: “Caoimhin” for “Beautiful and Handsome”)
Horvath (Hungarian: "Hrvat" for “The Croat”)

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From: [Kellee Jandrt](#)
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Subject: EMLL Fields
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Hello,

I wanted to let you know the importance of keeping the EMLL fields operating as usual for East Side Madison Little League and Softball.

My oldest daughter is very passionate about participating in softball and she looks forward to officially being on a team this year. She is enrolled in U10.

Last Summer she had the opportunity to be in the Skills/Practicing program offered and she really learned a lot. We received financial assistance which allowed us to give our daughter this opportunity and still keep it affordable.

Our youngest daughter is showing interest in joining Softball in the future and we hope she can do so on the same property.

The location is close to our Northside home so it makes travel time very convenient and easy to get to. There are many local restaurants close to the fields that can benefit from families having activities near by. The time spent at the location is very relaxing and I enjoy seeing birds and squirrels enjoying the green space.

Please consider keeping the fields operating as Northside Green Space that EMLL families can continue to enjoy for many years to come.

Thank you!
Kellee Jandrt

From: gordian@nym.hush.com
To: [Finance Committee](#)
Subject: Refer Agenda Item 13, Legistar 92425
Date: Sunday, April 12, 2026 6:09:13 PM

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Sunday April 12, 2026

Finance Committee members,

Please delay a decision on Agenda Item 13, Legistar 92425 [1] until a future meeting. Time is needed for writing a staff report and for holding a public meeting where the City can clarify its plans for Tilton Park and say whether it will support keeping East Madison Little League baseball games at their current ball park.

I first learned about the land purchase on Friday. The Finance Committee will vote on Legistar 92425 on the very next Monday. There is no need for a hasty decision. Public participation requires more than a weekend to consider this purchase.

Legistar 92425 is missing a clear statement saying that the City supports little league baseball at the current East Madison Little League playing fields. The Oscar Mayer Special Area Plan says,

"The East Madison Little League Fields are located on the southeast corner of Packers and Aberg Avenue, There is a strong community desire for the Madison Little League Fields to continue functioning as community baseball fields." [2; p. 17 ~ 17 of 61]

Legistar 92425 should be amended to include language that reiterates what the Oscar Mayer Special Area Plan says so clearly.

Questions for the staff report and public meeting include:

- * Does the City support continuing East Madison Little League games at the current ball field through the expiration of the lease in 2034? And beyond?
- * Has OM Land given East Madison Little League a notice of termination of its lease?
- * Is the City open to a public-private partnership to operate the ball field? Some Northside neighbors have expressed a willingness to contribute money to a fund raising effort.
- * What other goals does the City have for the expanded Tilton Park?

When these questions and others that might arise are answered, the public and the Finance

Committee can, together, make an informed decision on the purchase of the East Madison Little League ball field.

Thank you.

Don Lindsay

SOURCES

[1] Legistar 92425

<https://madison.legistar.com/LegislationDetail.aspx?ID=7958382&GUID=90EA5720-0ACB-4E0E-8F12-9EEFBDF7380E&FullText=1>

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[2] Oscar Mayer Special Area Plan

<https://www.cityofmadison.com/dpced/planning/documents/OscarMayerSpecialAreaPlan.pdf>

From: [Dorothy](#)
To: [Finance Committee](#)
Cc: [Matthews, Julia](#)
Subject: Agenda Item # 13 legistar - 92425
Date: Monday, April 13, 2026 12:35:18 PM

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To: Finance Committee
From: Dorothy Borchardt - 12th district
Date: 4/13/26
Re: Agenda item 13 - legistar 92425

Please refer agenda item 13 until a staff report is done and a public meeting can be held.

As long as I can remember the East Madison Little League has been a very important activity for many of the youth on Madison's Northside when it was located in the swampy area behind The Esquire Club.

Due to all of the water when it rained, with Oscar Mayer's help, it was moved to the current location.

The community needs to know more about what the city plans on doing with the site once it is purchase for a park.

Thank you for you time and service.

Dorothy B

From: [Megan Baltz](#)
To: [Finance Committee](#)
Subject: Support for Purchase of EMLL
Date: Tuesday, April 14, 2026 7:16:26 AM

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Hello,

I support the city of Madison's purchase of EMLL land to preserve the location and purpose of the EMLL fields. My family has been there every summer for the past 5 years.

1. Location is easy to drive and bike for those on the East and North Sides
2. It creates community and connection for our family through volunteering and participating in sports.
3. Diversity. We have an opportunity for our family to meet and build relationships with a wider range of families, outside of our school boundaries.

Thank you,
Megan Baltz
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