Co-Chair Holvey, Co-Chair Girod, and Members of the Committee,

I'm a 40-year resident of Lane County with 35 years in Eugene. I'm familiar with the pro and con positions as it relates to the construction of a multi-use facility in Eugene. I live within walking distance of the proposed site. While I am supportive of the Emeralds, I am a bigger fan of this important addition to our community infrastructure. The new Kidsport facility, Lane County Farmers' Market build-out and new YMCA, are three examples of Eugene keeping up with the times. Our community is growing, middle housing is a reality, and having more facilities and gathering places makes sense for all the reasons I'm sure you are aware of by now. Now is the time to be forward thinking. The projects I mentioned required vision and perseverance. We are fortunate to have a well-run civic minded organization like the Eugene Emeralds as partners.

Please do your part in supporting this effort at this time, and in doing so, you will create opportunities for others to join in and make something that will be good for people of all ages.

Thanks for your consideration.

David Amorose