

Online Answers to Feedback Forms Regarding CSU's On-Campus Stadium All Posted Data

This document includes data from 8 updates from February to July 2012.

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5. What questions/concerns/suggestions do you have for the public engagement process?
6. Additional/information and comments

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These input forms are also not necessarily representative of relevant stakeholders, as any online process is susceptible to individuals posting multiple times. This information is being used to get a sense of the issues, not to count how many people are for or against at this point.

Online Answers to Initial Feedback Forms from first Stadium Advisory Committee Meeting

Updated 9am, Monday, February 6

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We will update this document periodically as responses come in.

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<p>Having facilities and athletics that are equal to Colorado State's already tremendous academics reputation!</p>	<p>That some who oppose are not and do not invest in CSU, yet receive the benefits of living in a region that exists and is desirable BECAUSE of Colorado State University.</p> <p>They do not appreciate what the university has done for the community, and how different their lives would be if CSU was not in Fort Collins.</p> <p>CSU benefits ALL who live their whether directly or indirectly.</p>
<p>Nothing. I get plenty of excitement from the games at Hughes.</p>	<p>this will be a costly, unnecessary, traffic-inducing, green space-hogging boondoggle.</p>
<p>My daughter is a freshman living in Braiden Hall (out of state student from California) and choose not to attend some football games due to the difficulty of getting to and from Hughes stadium. That is a big dissapointment for me--and her-- and I am excited about her or future students having the ability to simply walk from their dorms to the "on campus" stadium. She was accepted to CU Boulder and when we were there for our visit on a Saturday "Game Day" the atmosphere on campus was just fantastic. I'm excited to see that replcated at Colorado State University. Obviously, my daughter chose CSU over CU Boulder (YEA!) but one of the "negatives" of CSU from her evaluative standpoint was the fact that CSU's stadium was "off campus".</p>	<p>If done improperly the on campus stadium will be an "eyesore" on a otherwise open and pretty campus. It also concerns me that it would negatively impact the neighborhoods around the campus. For example, the Plymouth UCC Church off of Lake St. (i.e. unauthorized use of the parking lot, public urination, etc.)</p>

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<p>The furthering of the campus community is probably the biggest excitement I have. As a student, I know and see that plenty of my friends won't go to a CSU Football game (unless it's against CU) because of the travel. I love the concept of a new stadium bringing more school spirit, pride, and a better reputation to Colorado State.</p> <p>I also love the idea of getting a better name nationally. With a fantastic new program, it almost pleads to have an on-campus stadium. In order for prospects to take us seriously, we need to have substance to back it.</p>	<p>Our contract with the Mountain concerns me the most. As amazing as a new stadium on campus may be, it is fruitless if we can't show that same stadium to the rest of the country. Considering that hardly anybody has the mountain (due to subscriptions, etc.), people in Colorado much less anywhere else don't watch the games. I find it very difficult to believe that you can garner support from the CO population overall without changing our broadcaster provider. Try KKTV 11 News in Colorado Springs, and CBS4 Denver for starts.</p>
	<p>We will spend lots of money on something we already have and that is not dysfunctional in any way. We also have no room on campus to build a stadium.</p>

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<p>Everything about it!! Here are a few:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. To feel connected with the university when I return to Fort Collins to watch games. I have season tickets, and when I go to football games I rarely ever go to campus on gameday. I drive to Fort Collins, tailgate at the stadium, watch the game, then drive home. In contrast to when I watch basketball games, I usually walk around campus, get food before the game near campus, then afterwards I go to old town. I am much more involved with the community with games on campus. 2. To get an upgraded facility that is aesthetically beautiful, fits in with campus, brings together the alumni with the students and has many uses for the university and community. 3. To see CSU invest in athletics. Investing in being great in everything we do. 4. I am very excited at the prospect of tailgating on campus, especially at the oval! 	<p>The stadium won't happen and we'll be stuck with Hughes!</p> <p>About the new stadium, I am curious where it is going to go and how they will integrate local transportation systems (ie. the mason st corridor). No real concerns.</p>
<p>The energy and synergy that will be created between the campus, alumni, and community of Ft. Collins. Current stadium is not only disconnected from campus, it is disconnected from the business community of Ft. Collins and it does not allow alumni to connect with the CSU campus and give an opportunity to share memories.</p>	<p>It may not have a positive financial impact to the athletic department and university.</p>
<p>Reconnecting to campus and letting my family see my alma mater</p>	<p>It won't be built quickly enough!</p>
<p>seems like a win-win-win-win</p> <p>jobs for Ft.Collins, \$\$ for Ft. Collins Business, good publicity for CSU, good for CSU athletics</p>	<p>None</p>

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<p>having hope as a Ram fan!! I think it could be such a positive influence for the university!</p>	<p>naysayers will keep the project from going through. Many seem determined not to keep an open mind.</p>
<p>CSU finally taking a leadership role in the promotion of athletics...for too long we've accepted mediocrity and it's time to expect excellence.</p>	<p>the opposition will drag the process out and make it impossible to proceed should the committee agree that the stadium should be built.</p>
<p>A new venue, that will be multi-use and a gathering place for students and alumni. Something will be architecturally positive for the campus and provide a focal point to propel Ram sports to the next level.</p>	<p>The nay-sayers will shout this project down for all the wrong reasons.</p>
<p>The potential for CSU to catapult itself athletically into a similar position as it already has academically. This stadium is the perfect opportunity for us to leverage resources to make CSU and Fort Collins a better place. It will provide a platform for the University and the community that it deserves.</p>	<p>The vocal minority (those that oppose the stadium) will yell louder than those in favor. This is always the case in situations like this. The CPD tends to attract folks who oppose certain issues and it tends to exclude those in favor. When it comes to any issue, the vocal minority are the ones who are going to show up to these events. The clear majority is in favor of a new stadium, I hope they speak up.</p>
<p>10/10/2012</p>	<p>The vocal minority, who doesn't even support CSU or care about athletics will be able to derail us.</p>

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<p>Experiencing campus and a stadium together. To be able to walk by Newsom Hall where I lived, to see the buildings I had class in, all while going to a game.</p>	<p>It will not go up soon enough.</p>
<p>The fact that we're finally taking athletics seriously and the recruiting capabilities a new stadium would bring</p>	<p>It won't be built. It would be absolutely devastating for the image of the university if the stadium wasn't built. This would just show that the University can't get things done</p>
<p>Having alumni from Denver and elsewhere coming back to campus, showing their girlfriend/boyfriend/ husband/ wife/children/grandchildren where they went to school. They'd show them the oval, take them to restaurants near campus or in Old Town and show off both the university and the town with pride. As a local, I would be able to bike or walk to home games.</p>	<p>The Fort Collins community is too short-sighted to realize we need to better market our town and athletics in order to be at our best.</p>
<p>I am most excited about the chance to begin new traditions at CSU. An on campus stadium would provide endless opportunities to show off to my family and friends where I went to school and how proud I am to be a Ram. The game day atmosphere will bring excitement with an on campus stadium that all of Fort Collins will benefit from.</p>	<p>The city and residents of Fort Collins does not support CSU. Without CSU the city would not thrive as it does today. Support is needed not only by the students but the city as well.</p>

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<p>building a tradition of attending football games and cheering for a team and school that I can be proud of. As a student in the 1980's I went to maybe 3 or 4 games during my 3 years in school. I would rather road trip to Lincoln and feel a part of something greater on the football field. The atmosphere is truly electric on campus and in the city of Lincoln when discussing Husker football. We can and WILL get this same excitement at CSU should we build an on campus stadium and bring alumni, community members, and students all back onto campus in unison. What a great opportunity! I WILL renew my Ram Club membership and season tickets that I haven't had for 10 years now that Dr. Frank, Jack Graham, and the football staff are providing hope of being part of something great!!!</p>	<p>the naysayers really don't know what they don't know. How can those opposed to the stadium understand the excitement of being at an on-campus event when they have never experienced the excitement of a big time college atmosphere? How can they coin "Save Our Stadium" when Hughes is a substandard facility, non-fan friendly, and even Sonny Lubick recognized CSU had a ceiling with the poor facility in the stadium and on campus? Hughes stadium served its time, but is in no way indicative of a 21st century facility. It is suited for CSU if the university decides to go to I AA and compete in the Big Sky. It is built for mediocrity.</p>
<p>I am excited by the prospects of CSU having an athletic program that is on par with the academic programs. We need BOTH!</p>	<p>I am concerned that the short term thinking of a few will derail this project. You don't have to be a football fan to gain from this project! Everyone in Ft Collins stands to benefit as the university gains in more of a presence nationwide.</p>
<p>The potential economic impact is very exciting. Along with this, the traditions and gameday experience could be greatly enhanced and would motivate me to return to the campus after graduating.</p>	<p>If this project can be privately funded. If so, it would be foolish to not move forward with this project.</p>

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -the process itself -the exposure to the university as a result -the overwhelming excitement from the fans as a result of the prospect -the potential for a state-of-the-art modern facility -coming back to campus for games -attracting better recruits -a better overall gameday experience -the prospect of gameday becoming a Fort Collins event rather than just an alumni and a few students event 	<p>-tailgating at Hughes is actually one of my favorite parts about CSU football lately, and I'd hope that the new stadium would enhance that experience rather than fragment or detract from it</p> <p>-the planning process will drag on too long. Gather the necessary information, present it thoroughly but succinctly, and then make a decision/recommendation so that this can move forward, one way or the other.</p>
<p>The ability to reengage in the CSU community excites me. My wife and I love CSU and its mission. We regularly drive from Highlands Ranch to athletic events and support the university financially. We have always felt pride in our university but have not felt part of the university community since we left. This project seems like an amazing opportunity to develop a greater feeling of belonging and engage alumni who have lost contact with the school.</p>	<p>I'm concerned that a true unbiased recommendation will be sidetracked by posturing from extreme voices on both sides of the debate.</p>
<p>Attending games at the university. Giving my kids an opportunity to see where I attended college, instead of only showing them where I attended college football games (Hugh's)</p>	<p>Rushing the project will leave potential being its on the cutting room floor...a 50 yrd IPF for example. Go for the full 100 yards this time guys. It's too important.</p>
<p>Getting this done and finally showing that CSU cares about it's athletics and football in particular</p>	<p>Jack Graham will get frustrated with the CSU bureaucracy and bail. Also that Tony Frank will cave to the whacko anti stadium people who don't even know what they are talking about.</p>
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<p>completing the last piece of the "perfect" university puzzle. Everything at CSU has been elevated to new heights with the exception of the flagship athletic programs. A new stadium would be an essential element of completing the total package.</p>	<p>Opponents will think this is only about football. It's so much more than that.</p>
<p>how the stadium, along with the Mason St. Corridor, will enhance the CSU campus and the City of Fort Collins.</p>	<p>the stadium vision will not come to fruition, or will not be built in a timely manner. I hope it is completed by 2014, or 2015 at the latest.</p>
<p>Reconnecting with the university. Showing it off to my kids. Having a strong 12th man show up and intimidate our opponents on the field.</p>	<p>It will get derailed and CSU will lose its fan base, become sub par and my degree will be worth less.</p>

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<p>none of it! cant get excited whenit seems a giant waste of time, money and land use</p>	<p>Campus is already very hard to negotiate with a car. The stadium would take up space that is used for everyone on campus not just football. Hughes stadium is a large part of campus life already Leave it where it is at.</p>

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<p>I am not excited! You have raised \$504 million dollars without a winning football team or an on-campus stadium.</p>	<p>This stadium will not have a positive impact on my neighborhood ! Where is the parking going to be? Where is the tailgating going to be? What about congestion? Has anyone thought about the trains going through the area?</p>
<p>New energy and enthusiasm for the program. Being on campus more. Winning. Becoming relevant again.</p>	<p>Leadership could cave to the vocal minority that believes Colorado should be one big protected open space.</p>
<p>How the community of Fort Collins, rather than accepting this as a "done deal," has started a conversation that highlights the cons that are being hidden from us by the committee members. I can't wait for a meeting where the prosecution will be able to state its case, unlike the Feb. 3 meeting..</p>	<p>no parking no tailgating un-ecological either blocks view of mountains (if on campus) or ...not really on campus and defeating purpose, if south of Hilton. Unaesthetic: unlike baseball stadiums, all football stadiums are ugly. If CSU becomes known as a football school, this will be detrimental to graduates, who will be stigmatized as jocks. Who would you rather hire: a graduate from Penn State, or a graduate from the University of Pennsylvania? wasting the money that was spent on Hughes letting Hughes stadium decay and creating blight. Who would buy or rent Hughes ???? Nobody! The prices of tickets will go up and alumni will be able to afford the games.</p>

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<p>The possibility that CSU can build a nationally prominent football program and the opportunities that this facility would provide both CSU and the City of Ft. Collins in terms of revenue generation.</p>	<p>the opposition will utilize irrational arguments to derail the process.</p>
<p>Having a better connection back to the university and the campus. I never get to campus to see all that is going on. Having game day on campus and being able to walk around and see all that is happening at our great school would be fantastic</p>	<p>parking will be bad</p>
<p>I am not excited: I see this as a folly of gigantic proportion. Spending money to duplicate facilities is a tragic waste of donors generosity. The recent improvements to Hughes stadium were completed, I believe, with donations from the same donor group that might be asked to donate for the new stadium. As a donor, I would ask that CSU be more diligent in determining the "worth" of projects where donated money is used.</p>	<p>The loss of outdoor fields that cannot be relocated nor "found" elsewhere on campus will reduce or eliminate the programs that use these fields. Any plan that includes traffic flow, should be shown as a comparison to the plan that exists for Hughes stadium; in all fairness, traffic is a pain for those who live in any of the neighborhoods west of Taft Hill. An on-campus stadium would reduce some traffic, but the lack of available parking compared to the space at Hughes, will exacerbate the problem.</p>
<p>The benefit a new stadium will provide for the university and the community. It will be a shot in the arm for a stagnant community and build new momentum for the school and the alumni.</p>	<p>We, the CSU and Fort Collins community, will be short sighted about the project.</p>
<p>Bringing in the students...I have a feeling an on campus stadium will really forge new traditions and great sense of pride within the university</p>	<p>Nothing</p>

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<p>The new stadium on campus could be the best marketing plan CSU has ever had. I have four kids, other than going to Moby my kids have probably been on campus 3 or 4 times when my wife and I drag them over to walk the campus. Having an on campus stadium would provide an opportunity for alumni and fans to get on campus 5 or 6 times a year and experience CSU. This alone is a great reason to do this now!</p>	<p>We don't do it right. Let's build this like we know we are going to be great in athletics!</p>
<p>All of it.</p>	<p>The louder naysayers will dominate the dialogue.</p>

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<p>The positive impact it would have on the CSU game day experience, the economic impact on the merchants and city coffers in town, and the incredible connection it would build with alumni and the campus. I went to the Feb 3rd meeting and that was the first time I walked across campus (in a snowstorm too!) in probably more than 15 years. Shameful on my part, but CSU needs to give me a reason to be on campus.</p>	<p>Short sighted opposition to construction issues or in-fill issues will prevent this from happening. We are one of only about 9 (I think) D-1A schools that don't have an on-campus stadium. Not that we need to be like all the other schools just because, but they have it on campus for lots of good reasons. We may be running out of time to do this before the last viable open spaces are consumed, at which time it will never happen, or costs will increase in order to remove buildings that need to be replaced.</p>

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<p>Unfortunately, CSU's handling of this make me fearful, not excited in the least.</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. It conflicts with CSU's goal of growth. The space will be needed for classrooms, parking, and student housing.2. CSU already made the decision from a "vision". Now the Univ. is back-peddalling to make it look like a process is in place for a go/no go decision that apparently already took place.3. It appears NONE of the Board of Governors voting members lives in the City of Fort Collins. PLEASE PLEASE let them consider the impacts on the City and its residents.4. The site south of the Hilton is in a FLOODWAY. It should not be one the table at all for life safety reasons.5. Mr. Graham appears to be an egotistical dreamer - coming from out-of-town and imposing his vision on a community with no thought of the external costs - City infrastructure, quality of life for the many permanent residents who live in the central areas of town, noise, traffic, loss of views. He does not act like a businessman who has had to present a rational business case for his "dream". He does not act like a high-ranking official of a large university who considers ALL constituencies - not merely athletic boosters.6. The athletic department already receives half its funding from student fees and direct/indirect institutional support (NCAA data). Rutgers University had a similar "dream" of how its expanded stadium would have a positive financial impact. Instead, the institution is putting more and more into the athletic dept. Please have the finance group read this: http://www.nj.com/news/index.ssf/2011/12/despote_success_on_the_field_b.html7. The committee is loaded with boosters.8. The international students that CSU is actively recruiting are not likely to care much about a monumental stadium.9. Other communities that have large stadia have MAJOR arterials, or more often, freeways in close proximity. We do not have that.

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<p>Getting out from underneath a money pit, and moving into a state of the art structure that has the potential to benefit the entire campus, not just the athletic department, on a daily basis.</p>	<p>Financing will not exist. I admire the goal of 100% private financing, but I am skeptical. I for one would support some public financing if necessary.</p>
<p>I am excited about the Multi functionality of this future on-campus stadium and the talent it will draw in. The traditions of families friends and Rams of all walk of life will have at our new home. It is Time we (as Rams) bow out our chests and dare to be great. Make The University of Colorado State a place to be reckoned with.</p>	

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<p>Stopping this misguided "Graham's vision" in its tracks. This is a BAD idea. Mr. Graham is a tremendous salesman and a slick marketer, but we do not need a marketing experiment in athletics and a football centered culture to inspire us, thank you.</p>	<p>This nightmare will come to fruition. Santa Clauses dropping from the sky into a monster stadium with penthouses for rich alumni and expensive dorms overlooking a gaily decorated gladiator field, to ring in the sales season of cash registers for the economic frenzy that Christmas has come to be (unfortunately, and one that Graham proposes to enhance at CSU and in the community. What a nightmare.</p>
<p>The grand vision and the possibility of an on-campus stadium to help showcase this amazing university. The fact that successful athletics can absolutely help in increasing the academic excellence.</p>	<p>The voice of a few outspoken opponents will derail the plans to strive for excellence in both athletics and academics.</p>
<p>The future of CSU. Where it can go and whgat it can achieve. The future and direction are exciting.</p>	<p>The vision being half way. Not following through. Allowing set backs or opposition detract from what we can accomplish.</p>

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<p>EVERYTHING!! The game day experience, the (hopefully) beautiful architecture, the national exposure, better recruits and results. It's going to be great when the stadium is finished and I'm hoping that attendance and traditions improve around gameday!</p>	<p>There are too many old people in Fort Collins against the stadium... In all seriousness, I just hope that it isn't an ugly steel structure and fits in nicely with the rest of the beautiful new buildings around campus. Want it to be a landmark and not done on the cheap. Also it must have the ability to be expanded in the future!</p>
<p>the future of Ram athletics and the University!</p>	<p>short sided people will win the day. Please do not obstruct the views through the middle of campus. Just south of Newsom Hall would be ideal.</p>
<p>The future of CSU. We need to re-energize the CSU fan, alumni, and student population, and I fully support this path forward.</p>	<p>Short-sighted people with little or no long term interests in the future of CSU and CSU's success will try to derail these plans.</p>

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<p>The economic impact on Fort Collins and how it could help with raise money and income for the athletic department and CSU as a whole</p>	<p>The voice of the sparse opposition could derail a great plan for the community, economy and the university</p>
<p>Everything regarding CSU athletics and the future success of our football team. Also, the hope that this trend will continue throughout all of our athletic facilities (other sports) to improve the overall athletic landscape at CSU!!</p>	<p>Too many uninformed or stubborn anti-stadium people with no facts to back up their arguments or real reasons against it.</p>
<p>I'm excited that there is finally an opportunity to correct the major mistake of building a stadium much too far from the main campus. As an alum and season ticket holder for many years, our game day experience involves driving to the stadium, watching the game, and getting something to eat and drink on the way back to Loveland. I am excited about the opportunity to hang out on CSU's beautiful campus, going to the game in a beautiful new stadium (another Ram win), and going to a downtown Fort Collins restaurant for a post-game meal/celebration.</p>	<p>Negative pressure from the anti-growth/naysayer crowd could delay construction of the new stadium. Time is of the essence.</p>

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<p>Access to campus. I live in New York and fly back to Fort Collins for 2 or 3 games a year. To this day I still haven't seen all the improvements on campus. I can't remember the last time I was in the Oval. That's not right!</p> <p>Improved game day experience inside the stadium. Hughes is dated with ugly concrete, ancient facilities, and bad concessions. I've attended sporting events around the world and the only place I've been to that's uglier than Hughes is new Yankee Stadium.</p> <p>Improved recruiting. It is all about facilities. We have the IPF, now we need a stadium.</p>	<p>Tailgating might suffer. The parking lot at Hughes is incredible.</p> <p>Ticket prices might sky-rocket.</p> <p>The student section might suffer. I admit that I still sit (stand) in the student section! They're great seats with tons of energy, right next to the band, and great site lines. I'm afraid a new stadium seating arrangement might mess with the student section and put it somewhere stupid like behind the endzones.</p>
<p>the unbelievable environment it will create on game day. I believe this is a great investment in our university and will go a long way in reengaging the alumni base. I can't wait to bring my friends and family to the new stadium. Go Rams!</p>	<p>the very small vocal minority holding up the building of this stadium. I'm afraid if our univeristy waits to long to take action and build a new stadium, we could find ourself without any affiliation to a major conference. We will see our private funding plummet for both athletics and academics and we would find ourselves with a dispassionate student and alumni base.</p>
<p>The possibility of being a part of new traditions at CSU. It's a bold new era, you know?</p>	<p>People like Raygina (Bakery worker at safeway that has no conection to CSU and is a very against the stadium) will screw it up for the rest of us.</p>

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<p>A new game day atmosphere and a chance to bring my family from Denver up to the game on the campus where I went to school. I would love to spend more time in Old Town and maybe even stay overnight.</p>	<p>We will build a stadium that is not a high quality design or appearance due to budget constraints. I would rather have a smaller, nicer stadium that can be expanded, if necessary, than a cold eyesore on campus. We need to be thinking of a classic design that could last 100 years and that will make the campus appealing. It would be disappointing if the stadium is seen as outdated and old in 20 years instead of having a classy, timeliness look.</p>
<p>the benefits that an on-campus stadium will bring, specifically the economic benefits and the boom for downtown, bringing the community together, and raising the awareness of CSU as a great national institution.</p>	<p>the planning process will get bogged down in bureaucracy and over-analysis</p>
<p>A whole new campus dynamic. A place for students and alumni to gather on campus every year. New tailgating spots on campus, the social scene in and around campus on game days. New excitement for the football program and the university. A destination for alumni from around the surrounding states.</p>	<p>A few ignorant Ft. Collins citizens that amazingly hate CSU to begin with would try and stop this.</p>
<p>Creating some sort of tradition by bringing game day back to it's rightful place, on campus!</p>	<p>The SOS (Save Our Stadium) group will use their media platform as the vocal minority and derail the the on campus stadium.</p>

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<p>the bold vision of taking csu to the next level from exposure, academics, and athletics this stadium can provide.</p>	<p>the very, small, vocal and honestly clueless opposition that hasn't presented one valid arguement for not building the stadium may prevent this from happening.</p> <p>then honestly, what is the future for csu football and csu as a university</p>

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<p>Having an on campus experience for my family. I had a great experience at CPU and want to relive my experience. The atmosphere at Hughes is so quiet and depressing. I am hopeful new game day traditions can be created and a true game day experience will emerge. Would be great for the city also. Foot traffic downtown, etc. please don't let ruddy dud dies stop the progress of making CSS the crow jewel of the west. We have embraced the small time behavior too long. It is time to truly strive for excellence in all aspects. Academics as well as athletics. Dr. Franks letter and jacks vision have inspired me more in the last few weeks more than any other time since my graduation in 1991. BUILD IT please!</p>	<p>We succumb to the naysayers and get bogged down in ft. Collins political red tape. Move forward. The city has never supported the university as it should. Please do not make full buy in from the older residents of the fort be a pre requisite for moving forward. Build it!</p>
<p>I am excited about the possibilites that this will bring to the whole community. This is a total win win situation for everyone,especially the students.</p>	<p>The people who do not want the stadium do not understand or have a clue as to what the new stadium will bring to the commnity.</p>
<p>Having a venue that brings focus back to the campus and prestige to the university.</p>	<p>A minority of individuals will derail some of the vision.</p>
<p>The huge positive economic impact that the new design and construction of a new stadium will bring to Ft. Collins.</p>	<p>The very small group of people who are afraid any kind of change in "their" community will slow the progress or adversely affect the design of what should become a CSU icon.</p>

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Elevating our school to a national prominence and out of the shadows.	<p>A vocal minority of older citizens will try to block progress and hide behind the guise of "Save Our Stadium." For most of them, it is not about saving Hughes, but about stopping something that is a big idea. These small time thinkers do not understand the importance of athletics to a University and are nothing but a hurdle on the path to excellence. Many of these pessimists are uninformed about the plan but still communicate their displeasure. Among other delusions I have heard the following reasons from them:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. We don't need more weed and weed pipes in people's lawns.2. CSU does not need another on campus stadium.3. The land should be used for crops for the global food shortage.4. A new stadium could be bad for student health.5. Where would 45,000 cars park? <p>It would be funny if these people were kidding.</p>

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<p>The possibility of having an on-campus stadium that will energize the fan base and bring a hopeful big time feel to CSU athletics. As an alum and someone that lives out-of-state currently, having a new on-campus stadium will definitely get me to come and visit more often and come to more games. I try to get back to Colorado at least once every fall to see a Rams football game, but a new stadium will make sure I come back at least once. I can imagine in the future walking around campus on game day showing my kids where I went to school, listening to the band, and cheering for the Rams with my family...and hopefully produce another generation of CSU Rams.</p> <p>I'm also excited for the potential economic impact this could have on both the university, but also the City of Fort Collins. If you look at studies done for similar new stadiums (FAU for example), their research shows an economic impact of at least \$1 million per game day. That is pure economic impact, as well as the jobs created for building and maintaining the stadium.</p> <p>Successful athletics is the best marketing a university can have, especially for out-of-state students. I'm a case in point on that statement and would not have known about CSU if it wasn't for athletic success. I ended up picking CSU after I saw their academic excellence, and am an alum with an undergrad and masters degree from CSU...and couldn't be more proud. Think big and settle for nothing but excellence.</p>	<p>While I don't live in Fort Collins anymore, I'm concerned about parking and the potential traffic...but do realize that other universities handle this and it can be fixed. There could be parking under the stadium if needed.</p> <p>But besides the issues like parking, traffic, noise etc, my major concern is that the loud voice of a concerned few will derail the project that has much more support than opposition.</p>

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<p>I am very excited about what this can mean for the students, the professors, and the alumni. It will help create the national exposure that CSU needs to compete for the future. It will also help to build a bond between Fort Collins and Denver that has been severely lacking for far too long.</p>	<p>The opposition will refuse to see the benefits this can create. Many of them are not CSU alumni and many don't attend or enjoy sporting events and have little understanding for what it can do for CSU and the reputation of the program. I'm concerned that this Save our Stadium crowd is miss representing themselves. The ones I have met, don't even like football and rarely attend games at Hughes. They want to disband football and athletics all together, which would be drastic to the University.</p>
<p>Continued positive upgrades to the CSU campus area.</p>	<p>Site selection needs to include HONEST public input. Do not ask the community's opinion if you don't intend to seriously consider the feedback. If that occurs CSU will lose it's credibility with community members and it will be a long time returning.</p>
<p>The Rams finally having a decent place to play in, while the fans have a decent place to watch a game. I also love the idea of an on campus stadium. That would have made my days of living on campus during the football season much easier. I always liked going to Moby because it was right there. Sometimes going to Hughes was a pain in the ass.</p>	<p>Self righteous Fort Collins residents will kill it because universities should not be about sports, or for some other asinine reason.</p>

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<p>nothing. I'm appalled by this process and the prospect of an unnecessary, redundant, enormous stadium in the middle of Fort Collins that will be used less than 10 times per year. I am excited that there is opposition and that people are willing to stand up against this.</p>	<p>CSU has compromised and has lost the commitment to the Aggie mission - education, research, outreach, extension..... of the University and that those functions will be compromised for a frivolous football program</p> <p>a) There will be a constant struggle to find the resources to fund the football program and this permanently escalates the financial commitment into the stratosphere - money will be diverted from academic programs to sustain this</p> <p>b) Jack Graham has stated that he wants to change the character of Fort Collins in his vision - a rich person who has no understanding or or commitment to our community</p> <p>c) There is no credible financial reason to pursue this.</p> <p>d)there has not been environmental or community impact</p> <p>e) on-going costs of security, maintenance, repair, electricity, water</p> <p>f) a huge stadium sitting idle for much of the year.</p> <p>g) This benefits and is for the wealthy, not the community</p> <p>h) we do not need more fancy hotels or restaraunts</p> <p>i) we need investment in the Aggie functions</p> <p>j)</p>
	<p>There is no filter on this form for people who live outside the Fort Collins area. There should be an address (a real one, not the "I live in Fort Collins part-time" or I care about CSU football even though I live across the country and wouldn't go to a new stadium anyway) to identify the people who will be directly impacted by this. Shouldn't we have priority on our own community politics?</p>
<p>The environment it will bring to Ram athletics. I think every sport will benefit from the new stadium. Multiple use design that accommodates future expansion is important. Perhaps build a 400 meter track around field. Baseball use as well. Training rooms/weight rooms coaches offices, film rooms, tribute/hall of fame room.</p>	<p>The project won't be developed to it's full potential. I think it needs to be a very impressive design, fan friendly restrooms and convenient food vendors.</p>

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<p>Reconnecting with campus as an alumnus. Currently, when I go to games at Hughes, I rarely visit campus or old town Fort Collins due to proximity. Telling my friends that my alma mater has an amazing, on-campus game day experience. Enjoying CSU's campus again like I did years ago. Watching other sporting events in the new stadium and the possibility of attending concerts and such on campus.</p>	<p>It won't be built.</p>
<p>Bringing the Fort Collins community, CSU students and Alumn together by haveing a centralized structure as the medium. And most of all having a venue that is something to be proud of.</p>	<p>Apathy, cynicism and negatism will end up squashing a refreshing and forward thinking proposal like this initiative.</p>
<p>Opportunity as alumni to get back to campus, be walking distance to old town, be at games and feel like your in Fort Collins and part of CSU</p>	

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<p>hopefully having a facility that the Fort Collins community, state of Colorado and Alums embrace, attend and support the CSU Football program along with other athletic programs. Will this energize others to support by attending athletics. This may also elevate and expose the many other outstanding and highly regarded collegiate programs CSU has which will increase the overall CSU community spirit.</p>	<p>The strong and renewed vision for CSU athletics will be compromised by listening to the few and the CSU administration not being bold enough to face adversity. Energy and support for the stadium and athletic direction will become silo'd within the CSU walls and the Fort Collins community will put even stronger barriers up to impede success.</p>
<p>the vision and energy that takes the campus into the 21st century.</p>	<p>the aesthetics of the campus might be disturbed in some ways. Sight lines, parking, etc.</p>
<p>having a first class facility for those out of state to come back and see the Rams play...enjoyed my years at Hughes but we can do better. a stadium on campus will make it so easy to go downtown after the game...i come back once every 2 years for a game...i know my buddies and i from late 80s would dial up more trips if this gets done..</p>	<p>don't take away the beer! seriously no concerns for out of stater</p>
<p>For the first time in recent memory CSU has true leaders who care passionately about all areas of the University</p>	<p>It will be the CSU of old, and administration will back down to the vocal minority</p>

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<p>I attended this initial meeting with an open mind, not sure how I felt about a new stadium. I came away convinced that the cost/benefits are such that the idea is worth exploring.</p>	<p>I was disappointed that some detractors were not even willing to listen. Rather than think about what was being said, some sneered, laughed, or shook their heads any time a speaker suggested something positive about a potential stadium. I found it very disrespectful and not at all constructive.</p> <p>It seemed to me from talking to a few of them that they feel CSU should stay just as it is, when I thought Dr. Frank made a strong case that that's just not possible with the funding situation. Others seemed opposed to society's focus on athletics, rather than anything about the pros and cons of a stadium.</p> <p>So I guess I came away disappointed that some had come to the meeting having organized opposition ahead of time, with the desire to shut things down, rather than listen, hear others' ideas, let the committee do its work in looking at the pros and cons, and offer constructive feedback. I have my concerns, but I want to hear the pros and cons, and am concerned that some are trying to shut the process down before facts are gathered and everyone has had a chance to weigh in.</p>
<p>The process of deliberation under the Center for public Policy discussion--will be an exercise in democracy.</p>	<p>The infrastructure to handle large crowds close into the university seems to be lacking. Streets, parking, etc. These seem to be problems solved by Hughes, after much tweaking of traffic routes too and from the games. I am assuming that the new stadium would seek revenues from other gatherings to help defray the costs of such an edifice. That means that we are not talking about 7 times a year, but more often. I see no access to the University that would not have to be enlarged to accommodate such crowds.</p>

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<p>CSU national exposure. Building a great football program will bring in much need money into Fort Collins and Colorado State University. In today's college football world, a university needs to think outside of the box.</p>	<p>Parking.</p>
<p>The potential to attract better players and better teams as apponents to CSU. Ultimately to promote a higher recognition and level of competition for CSU athletics and the University</p>	<p>A lack of parking in close proximity to the stadium may limit my participation in the future.</p>

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<p>the possibility of an on campus stadium and the multiple benefits occurring as a result. Consequently I am in total agreement with Jack Grahams' 5 reasons why the stadium is necessary.</p>	<p>if the stadium is not built now, it will never happen. In that case I see the Athletic program imploding within 10 years. Many of the programs will diminish to a Division II level and in the case of football possibly eliminated entirely. The present stadium is used 6 times a year and with a losing record is making it impossible to sustain recurring top talent. Consequently, continued drop in attendance, donor support will make the continuation financially unsustainable. Academics will suffer. Like it or not, athletic excellence is tied to quantity & quality of student enrollment.</p>

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<p>I am excited to be able to return to campus, truly return to campus, for a number of days a year. I graduated nearly a decade ago and have been on campus maybe twice since despite attending multiple games a year at Hughes.</p> <p>I feel that I have all but lost my connection to CSU and to the campus. I am a huge supporter of CSU football, but I do not feel like I have a bond with the university any longer. I believe an on-campus stadium will change that for me and many of my fellow out-of-town alumni. Afterall, we have kids who will soon be looking for colleges to attend themselves. What better marketing tool to convince these future students than to be on the campus six days a year.</p>	<p>the benefits of this project to CSU as a whole, not just athletics, will be overshadowed by a few community members who cannot see the big picture or feel that they should not be inconvenienced in whatever way because they feel they would not personally benefit.</p>
<p>the enthusiasm of Jack Graham in pursuing this stadium, it's about time there is some support for CSu athletics, as a student that will be gone by the time the stadium is open I can honestly say an on campus stadium would have a major impact on me bringing my family to a future Ram football game where as the trek to Hughes, would likely not happen.</p>	<p>the naysayers who wouldn't support CSU athletics in anyway regardless will have a greater impact than their minority status in our community</p>
<p>Being a part of the student body during a historic period for CSU. A new stadium can bring renewed vigor from the student body and give us a great opportunity to start new traditions for ALL sports.</p>	<p>A vocal, passionate minority in conjunction with unforeseen complications would lead to the disbanding of the project.</p>
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<p>No part of it.</p>	<p>The group I have tailgated with for 17 years will be at walmart waiting for a Bus to take us to the game. I have had five tickets for 17 years and will give them up if I have to worry about parking every week. The stadium we have can be filled and expanded and upgraded. B ball does not fill the arena on campus and I am sure the football on campus would be the same. Win and people show up. Attendance has nothing to do with an on campus stadium.</p>
<p>Bringing the stadium onto Campus and generating additional fan support and tradition with the student body.</p> <p>In addition, having the stadium that much closer to Denver makes it easier to get there by game time!</p>	
<p>this because I believe it will truly help the national academic perception of CSU.</p> <p>I'm a '72 PhD graduate of CSU and live in Minnesota and spend winters in AZ - in both places the academic perception of CSU is very, very limited. Sad to say, this has a lot to do with the visibility/success, or lack thereof, of some of the major revenue sports - those that are reported on in daily newspapers across the country.</p>	<p>without adequate forethought and planning the game-day experience (including tailgating) and parking could be compromised.</p>
<p>Football games with quality opponents. A beautiful new structure on campus. Watching a game on campus. Being able to watch a game on campus, walk around the campus before and after the game.</p>	<p>There might not be enough space on campus to build the stadium. I'm hoping that that we can find a way to make the stadium happen.</p> <p>And concerned that a small group of people against the stadium will have to much of a voice. There are a lot more people for the stadium than those who are against it.</p>

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<p>I am excited about the prospect of building an on campus stadium. This will help bring CSU athletics into the 21st century. Though I have a special place in my heart for Hughes Stadium, it is outdated and represents a liability to the future success of ALL CSU athletic programs. Football drives conference affiliation, and the MWC is a sinking ship that will take each of our sports down with it, not just football. But football is our ticket out of the MWC, make no mistake. An unsuccessful football team and Hughes are what stand between CSU and the future. CSU has already taken steps to address the team, and I am encouraged steps will soon be taken to address the stadium situation.</p> <p>I should also note my excitement about building new CSU traditions. Before attending CSU, I attended the University of Utah. I was there during the Utes undefeated run in 2008 that ended with a victory over Alabama in the Sugar Bowl. I have seen what a major on campus stadium can do in terms of excitement for not only a football team, but also an entire university. CSU is superior to Utah in every way except for excitement and school pride. To think CSU has a chance at what I saw at Utah three and a half years ago gets me more excited about being a Ram than I have ever been. I know I am not alone when I say this. This stadium needs to happen.</p>	<p>I am concerned that if this does not get done now, it will never get done. With the current dog eat dog climate of Division 1 athletics, CSU is at risk of being completely left behind. CSU is currently a "have-not", and the "haves" are slipping away, leaving the "have-nots" in the dust. I fear that if CSU cannot make the jump soon, somewhere down the line CSU will have to drop down to Division II play, or continue squeezing tuition paying students for more and more money to continue playing at the Division 1 level. In such a situation, the Athletic Department becomes a cancer to the rest of the university, which is unacceptable.</p>
<p>I'm excited to go back to CSU for a football game. The energy and core of Fort Collins is old town and having a stadium will reinvigerate the campus and the core of fort collins. I stongly believe it is a win for the university and the town.</p>	<p>the location may displace the intramural fields and that parking will be a huge issue. The key with parking will be to have structured parking the has multiple purpuse/use...ie, is associated with or physically connected to retail, classroom, dorms, etc.</p>

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	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. I am concerned about a large expenditure of money and resources. Hughes Stadium is a functioning facility in a great location which has had many millions of dollars invested in recent upgrades. It has ample room for expansion when justified. 2. The proposal appears to be a gamble - there is no proof that the facility could ever be justified financially or by the claimed benefits. 3. Considerable and unquantified infrastructure costs could be imposed on the City of Fort Collins and local tax payers by the proposed stadium. 4. The university seems to be acting like a private corporation, rather than a public institution. Many of my friends and long time residents have no interest or sympathy for any entity wishing to build a large entertainment venue in the center of this small town. If the only point is to make more money and pay higher salaries, why not build a CSU airport - it might be less obtrusive. 5. The attitudes of the boosters for this scheme are rude, dismissive, and selfish. Their comments show a total disdain of any opposing views and reasonable local concerns. A more humble, cooperative behavior is required to sell this concept to your neighbors. 6. There are thousands of foreign students at CSU who are courted for their high tuition payments. Believe me - most have of them have no interest in American College Football. 7. This scheme does in no way appear to be acceptable for sustainable growth or environmentally responsible development. 8. The advisory committee does not represent a balanced local view.
actually having a stadium that will give us an opportunity to really compete on a division 1 level in college football.	a couple of liberal demonstrators and a few lunatics will inhibit this wonderful vision from taking place.

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<p>The vision of Jack Graham and Dr Frank to make CSU the best it can be. Sonny laid the groundwork with accomplishing great things with limited resources. We've had minor setbacks over the past few years, but I'm very excited to get my alma mater to the next level. Unfortunately NCAA football has become all about money and we're getting left behind with all of the conference alignment. With the hiring of coach Mac and a new stadium on the horizon we will be positioned to not get left behind and get back to being relevant on a national level.</p>	<p>The negativity of a few people who desire the status quo and can't see how football helps the university as a whole will overshadow the vast majority who want to accomplish great things.</p>
<p>I am excited about the prospect of having a facility that can serve SO MANY needs for A VARIETY of programs in the CSU community. This includes having a facility that goes WAY beyond a stadium only functioning as a home-field for football. This can be a facility used for concerts and other community/university events. concerts and other entertainment events would allow the the University to be able to profit directly and is located in an area that is more accessible to the great Fort Collins area. Also being on campus and having a multi use design the stadium can be used for Track events, for club sports like Lacrosse etc. and would be a great venue for spring commencement and other campus oriented festivals and events.</p>	<p>I am concerned that a new stadium on campus is seen only as a football facility. It needs to be planned as a multi-use facility that would be an investment to use for events that would allow the UNIVERSITY to profit directly. A stadium on campus can go SO much farther than provide a football facility 3 months out of the year.</p>

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<p>being on campus on game day, and seeing what else is new on campus.</p>	<p>ticket prices will go up, and that the stadium will only be used for football.</p>
<p>the dollars brought into Fort Collins and the surrounding communities. The dollars brought into local businesses. The excitement for the students, athletes and coaches. It will be a revenue generating stadium. It will bring in more attendance from the students and local community. If we work at it we might be able to convenience the Denver crowd to attend. It will be a positive thing for the Fort.</p>	<p>The naysayers will win.</p>
<p>the potential for the University and the town.</p>	<p>short sighted people will not see the long-term economic impact of an on-campus stadium.</p>
<p>I am excited to see a number of Ram supporters and alumni out there who are wanting to make a change in CSU athletics. Too long we have accepted mediocrity in our athletic program, and especially in the football program. CSU is a great school and should have an athletic program that is on par with that greatness. While I like going to games out at Hughes Stadium for my own memories, a stadium on campus would make the game day experience so much better. I would look forward to taking my daughter on a brief tour of campus on our way to a game, and a Ram victory. While there are no doubt things to figure out (parking and traffic), a stadium on campus is, in my mind, the right thing to do.</p>	<p>Sure there are concerns. Parking (we still need to tailgate) and traffic are first that come to my mind. However, I believe that with a good design and support from the community, these can be figured out.</p>

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<p>Game day experience! Wandering around campus, near by shops/restaurants on Elizabeth and Old Town before and after the game.</p>	<p>The Anti-Stadium crowd is so loud and for the most part trapped in their own echo-chamber. They also seem to get much more publication from the Coloradoan.</p>
<p>We can create a tremendous attraction right along the "spine" of our city. The central Fort Collins/College Ave. corridor can be enhanced with this stadium. People will look back at us as visionaries, just as we look back with high regard on those that spearheaded the re-development of Old Town in the early 1980's. Fort Collins had shopping, businesses, and restaurants outside of Old Town at the time; but some had vision enough to see what a gem a revitalized Old Town could become. Would you rather be in Old Town, or at Foothills Fashion Mall? Would you rather go to an on-campus stadium in the heart of everything, or Hughes? Lets build it!</p>	
<p>...the opportunity to create a facility that will bring more alumni back to the university, provide a significant financial boost to Fort Collins business community surrounding the campus (including Old Town), give CSU a national brand that will attract both instate and out of state students leading to more independence from an the increasingly shrinking of state support for higher education, and give CSU a state of the art facility that will provide many more uses than just 6 home football games.</p>	<p>...the plan will compromise the best solution in order to satisfy what I believe to be a minority, yet vocal group, opposed to the new stadium. The project needs to be first class from start to end.</p>

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the opportunities it brings to myself and my family. To be able to take my boys up to the game, walk around campus, talk to them about college and what it is like. I can only imagine how wonderful it will be to attend a game on campus at Colorado State!	The Fort Collins community will not support the building of the stadium, that they won't see the value it will bring to Fort Collins. That this is a huge opportunity that will benefit so many!

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<p>CSU actively searching for ways to improve the quality of the institution, build community, and stabilize it's financial standing despite changes in state funding and economic climate.</p>	<p>President Frank at the meeting last night. I don't think that connection was clearly made (it seems like a logical jump...I want to see more case studies/stats).</p> <p>1) Funding: How much will the whole process cost (including the studies the committee will complete using outside help to during this process, the time of CSU staff that could otherwise be working on other issues)? And will it all be covered by private funding that would not have otherwise been donated to the university for other pursuits, athletic or otherwise? What recourse will the community have if the project requires an increase in public funding or student fees?</p> <p>2) We have branded ourselves as the "Green" university. Building a stadium when the old one functions well does not seem to go along with environmental sustainability goals.</p> <p>3) Anywhere the stadium is built would have a negative impact (of course the hope is that the positive impact would outweigh it). The intramural fields encourage participation rather than observation--which I see as healthier and more important to student development. Also, digging out part of the stadium to maintain the view of the mountains could increase flooding/maintenance costs. The gardens by Summit Hall are beautiful and are utilized/fitting for an Ag school. The neighborhood west of Center is beautiful...how will we make it right for whatever population ends up being affected by this?</p> <p>4) Traffic on game days--we can shut down parts of overland, but college, prospect, or shields?</p> <p>5) We want to attract more out of staters, but I think that we need to make sure that we have the academics and ethics to serve all of our students once they're here. I hope that this leads to more substance in the university, and not just a marketing facade.</p> <p>6) Large stadia in other college towns do well in some cases. But I'm not convinced it would be the same here. Having three other universities (CU, UNC, Wyoming) as well as professional football, soccer, basketball, hockey, and baseball teams within</p>

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<p>Moving the team on campus, starting new campus traditions, and building a competitive football program.</p>	<p>I am concerned that we actually put this on campus, not south of the Hilton. It needs to be ON campus!</p>
<p>Everything, this NEEDS to happen. A new on-campus stadium SHOULD have been paid by the taxpayers of Ft Collins a long time ago as the economic impact of a new stadium on Ft Collins will be huge. The time to do this is NOW.</p>	<p>If the new stadium DOESN'T get built, that CSU will be a complete unknown. CSU isn't an IVY league school, athletics needs to step up.</p>
<p>the reasoning behind this idea</p>	<p>Jack Graham has stirred up a lot of animosity; Tony Frank will be asked to step down if this goes awry; the public is not being heard because notice of meetings is not advertised far enough in advance; the increase in crime, vandalism and other misbehavior by attendees within neighborhoods and on campus; will there be an increase in police personnel and how will that be paid for; AD Graham waltzes in and starts stirring things up and has made a log of community members disrespect the President and the upper staff of CSU; the Hughes Stadium property will not be kept up and/or sold and that is not what I want; property values surrounding a new stadium will go down if located on campus</p>

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<p>None of it.</p>	<p>1. Where's the money coming from? 2. Where on campus is this proposed? 3. Traffic problems during construction and on game days will negatively impact the city.</p>
<p>the whole idea! I believe a new on Campus Stadium Would help CSU in a number of positives and there are no Real negatives</p>	<p>that the idea will get shot down and we gain nothing out of it</p>
<p>more student and community involvement in the football program. Its sad how we can barely get 20,000 out to Hughes on game days.</p>	<p>infrastructure (mainly roads) will cause serious problems getting into and out of a campus-based stadium.</p>
<p>The potential of a new stadium. I will be a monetary private supporter of it. I recognize that it is impertive for the ACADEMIC success of CSU.</p>	<p>A NIMBY (not in my back yard) will be unreasonable and try to claim there is a seperation between academic and athletic prowess.</p>
	<p>any on-campus site will greatly disrupt traffic flow in neighborhoods surrounding the campus. Further, creation of significant adjacent parking areas will adversely impact the aeshetics of a green campus.</p>

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<p>I think an on campus stadium would do wonders for student game attendance. I also look forward to actually seeing the campus. With games at Hughes, I never even get remotely close to campus. I think that I would probably stay up in the Fort 3 or 4 times per season where as no I only stay once (maybe).</p>	<p>that a few squeaky wheels are going to make people think twice about the project</p>
<p>I am excited about having football games more connected to the campus. I am from Fort Collins and now live in Denver. I am also a football season ticket holder. For most football games I just drive to Hughes, go to the game and then drive back to Denver. Last year we went downtown for one game it took nearly an hour with traffic etc. to get there. I miss Fort Collins and would like to have games in close proximity to campus, downtown etc. It would be a great opportunity to share the real CSU experience with my family.</p>	<p>I am disappointed by the tone of the people who are against the stadium. Many seem to be ill informed about how university and athletic funding and financing works. I would hate to see a minority of people stop something that I think will really be a positive game changer for CSU and for Fort Collins.</p>

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<p>The prospect of a modern facility that will enhance the beauty of the campus. I think that this new facility will aid in the public image of CSU on a National level and will help promote the academics of the University.</p>	<p>People are getting caught up in the minor details and are not focusing on the larger picture. The real questions are;</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Is Hughs Stadium a dated facility that needs to be replaced? 2. Would a stadium near or on campus encourage you to attend more football games? 3. For right or wrong, Universities gain National exposure from college football. Do you want CSU to be highly regarded by an average person on the National level? 4. Fort Collins and CSU are vitally linked. Do you want to see Fort Collins flourish with the aid of CSU?
<p>An improved game day atmosphere. I think a new stadium would go a long way to increase alumni and student involvement.</p>	<p>It will not happen.</p>
<p>The potential new stadium and positive energy it'll bring to FTC and csu.</p>	<p>This won't get done.</p>
	<p>Neighborhoods will have to deal with fans, property will be damaged, vandalism will be a huge problem, trash left for property owners to clean up, etc. Will the insurance coverage for risk management go up? If my property were to be damaged by csu fan I would sue csu</p>

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<p>The opportunities the stadium will have in unifying the CSU students and bringing in greater alumni involvement. Hughes stadium does not bring people onto the campus and the alumni are not on campus to see what is happening. Bringing the stadium on campus coupled with the efforts of the alumni center to expand on events for the day can bring in alumni and possible new students in for the weekend (Fri to Sun). This has the potential of bringing in additional money into the region.</p>	<p>Those who have no interest in CSU or Hughes stadium, but are using Hughes to champion their cause, will become a distraction and dissuade the genuine discussion that needs to occur.</p>
<p>CSU building a new state of the art stadium on campus and I am convinced it will definitely bring the community together and it will unite the alumni of CSU from all over the nation. A great football program can be a great way to bring national exposure to the University. I already know CSU is a great academic institution and I am convinced that a successful athletic program will generate additional funds to the University for academics that would otherwise not be available to the University.</p>	<p>CSU will miss this opportunity to really take the step forward that will bring a great deal of donations to the University and revenues to the City of Fort Collins. I feel we have built momentum with hiring the new coach and that has already brought exposure to CSU. I want to see this continue and continue to build more momentum.</p>
	<p>That too few people understand the need an importance of making this vision a reality for the University and Fort Collins.</p>

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<p>I am on board...and believe in the forward vision and the long term vision of Dr. Frank and Jack Graham.</p>	<p>That to truly be a Top Tier university requires us to be Top Tier in all phases!</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Academics...we have that! 2. Fundraising/donations...we are improving! 3. Athletics..the piece needing the most work, but also the one most ignored! 	<p>None...let the process begin, and play out!</p>
<p>If you could guarantee that an on-campus stadium would magically produce a top-10 team that sold out every game and produced ZERO traffic/congestion problems, I would be all for the on-campus stadium. No such guarantee can be made, so I can't imagine how I could be convinced. Fortunately, we can reach the top 10 and have no traffic problems with the EXISTING stadium.</p>	<p>Proponents believe attendance would go UP and downtown business would go UP. I believe the opposite to be true. People will fear the inevitable traffic mess and STAY AWAY from the game and old town. Unintended consequences that are all but inevitable.</p>	<p>Merely "energizing" the student body is not a valid reason to engage in this. My big question is "why" and I need to see a BEST-CASE financial scenario and a WORST CASE financial scenario. With those two scenarios out for all to see, we can make an informed decision.</p> <p>Oh, and what the heck are you going to do with Hughes?</p>
<p>Nothing at this time.</p>	<p>It is important that CSU have an "on campus" stadium. When looking at a University in today's "marketplace" of higher education, the top tier schools will have this. It really is a defining symbol of unity and school pride.</p> <p>P.S. Correct the typo "think" in the question above to read "thing".</p>	<p>An issue this big to resolve means to get everyone involved. Now let's build CSU's fourth stadium back on campus. GO RAMS!</p>

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<p>Student tickets need to stay FREE. We like that a lot, and if you charge you will have just as many showing up on campus as you did off campus. An area to tailgate would also be nice, but not required.</p>	<p>As you probably already know, there are a lot of people who need to be considered in the process. However, unless you listen to the students and where OUR school tuition is going, you aren't going to have a very successful time. Please, as obvious as this may be, listen to those who attend this wonderful University.</p>	<p>Well, it may not be "additional information", but I have seen that sometimes when a major building went up, there was an online camera available for public viewing that was placed in 2 or 3 spots on the build site. If the project moves forward, I think it would be fantastic if that was made available through the CSU website somewhere.</p>
<p>budget and know where we plan to put it</p>	<p>I already pay a lot of money to go to school here. I want my money to go to my education and not the losing football team.</p>	

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I am completely sold on the idea.	You're not just building a stadium, you are building a Fort Collins and CSU landmark. Make it beautiful, make it multi-use, think outside the box as to what can be included in it and make it be something that everyone in northern Colorado can brag about.	Keep the process open, but don't let yourselves derailed by the cynicism of others who are closed minded and stubborn!
Where is the money coming from? What kind of debt will it carry and how will it perform.	Understand the risk of moving forward, but also understand the risk of the status quo.	
None	I'm for it.	

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Almost nothing... I am behind it 100% (and so is everyone else I know) and have my checkbook ready when/if we begin to fund raise!!	Every CSU fan or alum that I know is in support of an on campus stadium. Please do it the right way and make it something special!	It seems to me that it is being handled properly as is.
Nothing, I am all in and ready to donate.	Making the stadium multi-purpose and blending into the surrounding areas.	Keep an open mind
Retail space? Restaurants? Foot traffic? Multi-use? Will the track from College and Pitkin be able to be put there? Could we reclaim that space on College and Pitkin for other use? What other events could we have there? Will this be the means to get baseball and soccer brought in? Is this a step to moving into an athletic conference that is more in line with our academic strengths (we are far better academically than the rest of the MW)? Will this help us bring in more advertisers and disenfranchised alumni?	If we move forward with this project, and I hope we will, I call on Dr. Frank, the advisory board and Mr. Graham to begin a CSU first initiative: From Construction Management, Interior Design, Apparel and Merchandise Management, the College of Business, Technical Journalism all have excellent faculty, staff, graduate students and undergraduates, who should be consulted and brought in on the project. Please start this type of initiative, rather than paying outside companies large sums of money (Office Max contract?). One more thing: please appoint new and varied people to the task forces and committees instead of always giving the committee assignments to the same people.	Same old committee members from the same old places with the same old results. Faculty council for intercollegiate athletics would have been a good place to start. Maybe polling for new committee members would be a good idea. It has the appearance of the same old club running the same old routine. I say this and I am in favor of the project: what do you think those against it say? Stacked? Also, in the previous question you have a typo: What is the most important "think" (thing is needed) you want the advisory committee to understand about your view of this issue?
Nothing, I'm on board. CSU has needed this for a long time. Let's not waste this perfect opportunity. I'm afraid if we do, it will be a long time before we get this opportunity again.	As an alum this would encourage me to make more trips up to Fort Collins with my family. I would love to show my family where I went to school and the surrounding area. Whenever we come up now we just go to Hughes and we aren't able to experience all the community has to offer. With an on campus stadium Alumni will be much more likely to travel up for games, spend time in Fort Collins, and take pride in being a RAM!	I am concerned that the minority voice will be too loud to overcome. Just because they are more vocal does not mean they are the majority. In fact, it is far from that.
None. The Ad and Pres has my complete support.		

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How soon can we get it up?	When and where?	Could people please be respectful of the hearings?
None. Build it!	Build it and build it quickly!	I don't know how it's possible to oppose the building of the stadium with all of the facts for the tremendous benefits it would bring to the athletic department, university and city of Fort Collins
Possible location of the stadium; CSU athletics being honest with the public that it cannot compete or be profitable long-term without a change in conference and/or a new television contract for football.	The big changes in college athletics - especially movement of teams to new conferences - has me concerned about CSU athletics. If we do not "go big" we need to "go home".	A minority people will always whine and think they know better than everyone else. I trust CSU knows what is best for CSU.
No additional information is needed. An on campus stadium needs to happen now. We are falling behind in the world on NCAA Division 1 football. If we do not act quickly we will be left behind.	It is time for CSU to have a vision. Stop settling for mediocrity. Build the on campus stadium and thrive to be great.	The save our stadium group needs to stop being rude and ignorant. The community needs to stop being selfish and start appreciating CSU more. The on campus stadium only brings with it opportunity and growth. The time for change is now and CSU needs to act quickly.

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None - we are long overdue in building this stadium. This is something I only could dream of when I was a student in the 1980's.	I am willing to travel 5 hours round trip from Colorado Springs on game days if we have an attitude of "no limits" when it comes to funding the football program and building a stadium that can move our university into the upper echelon of college football. Sonny Lubick understood there was a ceiling to our success when he was at the helm. Now, the ceiling has been lifted. Dr. Frank and Mr. Graham are to be commended. I fully support you and the University for your vision!	<p>Please research and publish how much it costs to maintain Hughes stadium on an annual basis.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Concrete is poured below the west side stadium supports annually due to the stadium being built on a fault. How much does this cost every year? 2. Please produce an economic impact study as to how much revenue will pour into local businesses and the city when the stadium is built. This will be Very significant. Currently I only drive to the stadium and then get right back on the road to go back home. If stadium were on campus I would buy more memorabilia, food, etc. It happens every time I go to Nebraska to watch games.
Where do I send my check!?	CSU needs this to break away from the small mindedness that has plagued us for decades. We ought not be ANYONES second string, little brother, or whatever. This is CSU! It is a nationally ranked institution in nearly every way EXCEPT the playing fields.	Make it multi-functional WITHOUT lowering the quality of the football experience. A successful project here will pave the way for other projects to come. Don't try to be everything for everyone and end up not doing any of it well.
I am completely sold on the idea. But once again, is private funds truly possible?	I want the advisory committee to understand that this model of thinking big really does draw positive attention to the university and a new stadium would in fact draw high school students to CSU. I also want them to understand that I am excited about the possibility of bringing the community together through an on campus stadium.	Please do not make this, as said, a situation where you look towards who claps the loudest. Along with this, getting the alumni of the Denver metro area involved would be great.

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Nothing	I am a CSU alum, Ram Club member, and football season ticket holder. I have always loved the atmosphere of Hughes in some ways, but I also recognize that a new stadium, on campus, could have huge impact on the football team, the university, and the city of Fort Collins.	Reiterating my earlier point, I would suggest that the process be thorough, but not be dragged out. There is a lot of information to consider, but in the end, the new stadium should either happen or it shouldn't. Gather the information, present it, address any reasonable questions or concerns that are raised, and then make a decision and move forward. The longer the process takes, the more polarizing it will be.
I would like to see transparency in the process. Regular posting of the committee and subcommittee findings and positions for public consumption is essential.	I want the advisory committee to understand I want the focus to be on feasibility and potential benefits/challenges. I think it is as important to consider what is good for the university and not just focus on the impacts to the Fort Collins community.	Since the university community is not just based in Fort Collins it is important to engage feedback virtually and state wide.
I'm decided, I am for it, but my hope is that the community stands with us. If there are implications surrounding this stadium that involve a move into a bigger conf. You might want to bring that up because it would be a deal closer. Instant branding.	If football is relegated to the DII direction it is headed, Mr. Graham is correct. This school is headed for direct academic competition with UNC. This Town is dependent on this University.	Please keep your integrity when finishing this project. Do not make closed door decisions on items that could impact community, fans, and or the university. Especially if Health and Safety is involved.
None it's a no brainer	Just get it done.	None
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<p>Traffic implications and site location. Although in regards to traffic/parking look at every other major university with a large on campus football stadium, i.e. Boulder. I'd consider Boulder a much more constrictive driving environment than Fort Collins, yet they seem to do fine handling it. This is just one of many examples.</p>	<p>To drive home the fact that this is not publically funded. These are not either/or donations. It's money for the stadium or nothing. It's not as if the stadium plans fall through these donors are going to give \$200mm to the Psychology Department. Private donations typically have very specific intentions, and this situation is no different</p>	<p>I'd like to see some actual plans/drawings, site options as quickly as possible. I'm not sure how anything can proceed, or how a campaign to build can begin until these things are completed.</p> <p>I'd also like to hear specifics of how much money has been committed to this project.</p>
<p>I am simply excited to hear more details of the project.</p>	<p>I will be extremely dissapointed if the stadium vision is not realized.</p>	<p>Be thorough, yet please don't waste time.</p>

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<p>no more info needed It just does not make any logical sense</p>	<p>I am a CSU alumni I have lived in Fort Collins for over 35 years and I drive by the stadium every day and evening on my way home I can not imagine that much space being taken up on campus CSU has worked very hard over the past years to maintain an ongoing working relationship with the houses and businesses currently surrounding campus. A large stadium with lights, noise, cars and trash in the middle of campus west is just plain nuts What are you thinking?!</p> <p>Why exactly do we need a new stadium? Was it promised to the newly hired coach? Did you come upon a very large sum of money from a private entity that wants their name on a stadium?</p> <p>I do not have any positive thoughts or comments to the new stadium ides</p>	<p>Will the voices of the public off campus be completely ignored? What constructive plans do you have for Hughes stadium, if a new place is built?</p> <p>Will all the City ordiances concerning: noise, safety, etc be bypassed?</p> <p>What do the people say that just recently contributed to all the improvements at Hughes say about the waste of their money?</p> <p>Really, do we not have more to think and worry about on campus?</p> <p>If there is a large sum of money to be donated, why not use it for grants for teachers or staff? They have not had a wage increase for several years. Students could use grant money for books, etc that would benefit far more than a new stadium would reach.</p> <p>If this sounds like I am angry, I am. I usually have great respect for decisions made at CSU but this one really takes the cake!</p>

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<p>I don't feel you have a neighborhood person (I mean someone who lives right in the middle of all 3 sites discussed) on your committee. When do we get to be heard? We are passionate about where we live!!!</p>	<p>Where I live and have lived for almost 40 years!</p>	<p>You have all your data. When are you going to think about others not engaged with the University. There are many of us who live here because of the quality of life Fort Collins delivers.</p>
<p>Where does the funding come from; how do we manage traffic as effectively as possible; where do we tailgate.</p>	<p>Protect the views, integrate the architecture as seamlessly as possible with campus, and let's get a move on.</p>	<p>None.</p>
<p>who are the donors? has the money already been promised? is it earmarked for a stadium or can it be used for other purposes? What are the strings attached (e.g. "name the stadium after me")</p>	<p>Jack Graham proposes Central Florida State as an example to be followed. I am worried that the reputation of CSU--which is a much better school than given credit for academically--will sink to the level of central Florida State's. Not to mention the record of the football team: CFS was 5-7 last year. We can easily match that by scheduling smaller schools like UNC. To have more students at games, make tickets cheaper and build a railcar from campus to Hughes: this would be cheaper than building a new stadium!! And more ecological. The problem with CSU football is not a bad stadium but the conference it plays in. Who in Fort Collins cares about the likes of Fresno State and Hawaii? We have lost our traditional rivalries like Utah and BYU. And don't think that CU will condescend to come to Ft Collins if we have a new stadium!</p>	<p>Have an opinion poll for students on campus Have an opinion poll at a CSU football game--though it will be skewed to support, many fans will be against. Their vote should count triple.. Put the proposal on the ballot next November.</p>

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None. I want this thing to happen and think that the pros far outweigh the cons.	CSU is a great academic institution that isn't recognized nationally because the most nationally visible aspect of the university (athletics) has been sub-standard for the last 10+ years. CSU needs show students and alumni that they are 110% invested in improving that product in order to increase student, fan, and alumni support. The stadium proposal does exactly that.	Evaluate rational arguments only.
nothing i really want this to happen.	Academics and Athletics are part of a university, like it or not, athletics ARE the front door. I have yet to see a news cast that has something about CSU academics nightly, but every day/night we have an athletic event we are on the news. I never heard of Boise till they beat OU in that BCS game, now they are a household name, yet our university is 100 times the academic institution, but you don't hear about that.	usually the opposition cries the loudest, we need to make sure those of us for the stadium are heard.
If there is any information regarding the financing of the new stadium, and the on-going finances of the existing Hughes stadium, I am certain the financial reality of a new stadium will speak to the viability of a new stadium as being completely unreal.	If you are true to the idea of an advisory committee being unbiased, then dissenting views will be heard with the same ear as those in favor. Do not try and whitewash or sugarcoat the new stadium without discussing the "cons" associated with the closing of Hughes stadium.	That both sides will be given equal opportunity (equal time) and have equal access to all relevant information about the project. Let the facts speak to the issue. Sure, it would be "nice" to have a stadium on campus; but we have a stadium already, and it serves purpose quite well.
Nothing. I already think it is a great idea!	This is something that has been discussed for over 20 years and now is the time to do it!	Worrying too much about the vocal minority!
Nothing, We have to build this	How fast can we build it...Lets go!!!	Lets try to get a light rail stop nearby, that would be such a nice thing to have for people coming in from Denver.

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<p>I love the vision of Dr. Frank and Jack Graham. I am 100% in favor of the new on campus stadium.</p>	<p>There would be detractors in every college town across the Country. This is our opportunity to do what should have been done 40+ years ago, and build a classic, beautiful stadium on campus. Sports bring people together. This great University can even be better with a top level sports program. I am tired of hearing fans from other teams belittle us because of our stadium.</p>	<p>If we do this, our chances of being a part of a major conference increase dramatically. If we don't do this, our chances of becoming part of a lower category Division 1 or even a Division II program is almost certain.</p>
<p>I'm in. Dream big. Then dig in and do the work.</p>	<p>Make it happen. Deal with the real issues. Don't let either fringe stand out. Focus on raising money right away, concurrent with the development process. Be ready to pull the trigger. Jack Graham is a fantastic voice and leader. But other prominent community members are needed. Graham can't pull the entire weight himself.</p>	<p>Form another group comprised of heavy hitters in the community to engage their respective networks. This is a large undertaking. The public component of the public process will be tilted toward the loudest naysayers. An effective strategy to neutralize the fringe "against" voice will be necessary to level the playing field. This will be good for Fort Collins! It can lead to a much needed rejuvenation of community spirit. Prominent and successful athletics can bring people together and lead to an opportunity where all can be proud of what can be accomplished by dreaming big and working together. And who knows where that can lead?</p>

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<p>None. I have been FULLY plugged into the issues since the day Jack was hired, and I am ready to donate and endorse construction on the 1) Practice field site for full visibility to drive by and recognition, or 2) Lake street site to take advantage of the last other open space with the least existing standing buildings in the way. The crop sciences fields would/could be relocated to the flood plains areas south of the Hilton on Centre.</p>	<p>The economic benefits of building the stadium are too great to turn away from it. Opponents who cite the costs and lack of attention on academics are missing the point that the revenue stream from a more profitable football program (whether that be ticket sales, merchandise sales, or larger conference affiliation revenue, or TV revenue) will allow the University to divert less money from general funds to prop up the football program. The balance sheets show football at net \$0.00 annually, which means we finagle the finances to show net \$0.00 when in fact there is probably a drain to CSU to operate football. The stadium can eliminate the net drain, thereby freeing up more money for the academic colleges to use in their operations.</p>	<p>I was worried that the group leading the public discourse would allow for degradation into the open mic nights and the discourse would turn fruitless. After the meeting Feb 3rd, I am confident the methods will result in full, measured, and productive data to use in the decision making process, without the "occupy" efforts and without the guy with the "stop the damn stadium" sign needing to derail the discourse.</p>

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<p>FACTS. Not the unfounded sales pitch/vision about how the stadium will attract out-of-state students and their money; about how the stadium will turn around the football team; about how the stadium will enrich our community. Don't tell me how much the bars and restaurants will benefit without any acknowledgement of the other impacts and costs to our community and the university. Be realistic: how much increased funding will the athletic dept need for O&M, training table, coaching budget, other additional costs? Be realistic: PSD is not going to buy/rent Hughes. Be realistic: traffic on Shields before a large event at Moby is tough already. How will people get to a stadium on campus? How will other residents be able to GO ANYWHERE on a game day?</p>	<p>Stop the steamroller. A decision like this takes time. CSU went from vision to implementation without any feasibility and assessment of true impacts on the University itself and on the community.</p> <p>GO BACK TO FEASIBILITY AND IMPACT STUDIES. Real ones, not ones just intended to appease. It is in the University's interest! The costs are just starting with the privately funded stadium Public costs will undoubtedly escalate as well.</p>	

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<p>What actual impact will this facility have on the surrounding on and off campus areas? I have heard this concern blown completely out of proportion by those opposed, and I have heard it dismissed by those in favor. I'd like to hear from an engineer, or city planner, or some LEGITIMATE expert on what the impact will actually be. Then I want to know how we'll address it.</p>	<p>As an alum, I completely support the stadium as a multi use complex incorporating everything from weekday menus to large campus non-athletic events. If it falls short in that aspect, or is built as an "erector set" like for instance BYU's, I would just prefer to put the money into Hughes. If it's just a six day per year football facility, I can't support it.</p>	<p>A suggestion...Listen very closely to the Save Our Stadium crowd. The more they talk, the more you realize that they are 10% concerned citizens and 90% lazy activists looking for an easy cause. Most post their alma mater by their names, and I see very few CSU alumni in that group. 90 idiots are dragging down 10 legit citizens. Listen closely and you'll see that most are "touched".</p> <p>One other suggestion, in your research and deliberations please don't forget what a quality academic institution CSU is, and what a wonderful town they are located in. CSU should never settle for anything but the best in any academic or athletic venue. We deserve it.</p>
		<p>One thing I would suggest is have some one with disabilities also on the planning board. I am disabled and have a very hard time walking half a block. I also am on a fixed budget. In order to get my season tickets for football I collected soda cans and sold them at a recycle place. I hope that season tickets will still be affordable to people with a fixed income.</p>

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<p>1. It looks like it is a done deal. 2. The "committee" looks like a stacked deck. 3. Three sub-committees to "plan" the logistics of building this monstrosity. 4. One sub-committee to provide token evidence that a "balanced process" to "hear the voice of the community" has taken place. Tell me that this is not so.</p>	<p>This looks like a done deal. I would like the committee (and Tony Frank) to go back and watch the classic movie "The Music Man."</p>	<p>Make it real. Decide not "can we and should we" in a parallel track with a full scale design exercise. Let's answer the question "Should we?" first and foremost. This discussion should never be happening. Graham's vision of grand hotels and a trophy stadium and a football team at the center of CSU culture and Fort Collins is not the vision of OUR university or OUR town. It never has been. Our vision is excellence in education, research, and service. This is our power. He thinks he can change the culture to "excellence through 'feel the spirit' athletics" and make it so through slick marketing and a clever sell of PowerPoint slides. I hope he is wrong. Woe be to CSU and Fort Collins if he is right.</p>
<p>My mind is made up, but would like to see CSU make a better effort in explaining why this is being proposed and how funding will potentially occur.</p>	<p>I live the grand vision. Make sure to take your time and make it a win-win for everyone. Don't fail...let's make CSU big time!</p>	<p>As noted above, please work on the PR aspect of this. Seems as if there is more and more negative publicity and nothing coming from CSU to help explain the process. While I myself understand the process and that we are in the infant stage, I feel as if others think this is already completed. Let's take your time and get it right. Go Rams!!!</p>
<p>None</p>	<p>GET IT DONE!</p>	<p>It has to get done, and it has to be special!</p>

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none!	The stadium advisory committee should take into consideration the concerns of the anti-stadium people, but at the same time realize that the majority of people want the stadium built and done the right way. Both sides can be mostly satisfied with the stadium being built if done right!	When engaging with the anti-stadium people, realize that most of their arguments are completely solvable issues that I'm sure will be addressed in the committee's meetings. Parking, traffic, noise, location, etc are all stuff to be taken into account, but should not detract from the stadium being built. If someone is against the stadium because they feel money should go somewhere else, their opinion is useless because they can't tell people how to spend their private money.
Already sold!	Get it done.	The public process is necessary and will help identify priorities and those areas that deserve a little extra attention.
Without a doubt in my mind, I believe this is the right path.	I am not just a casual fan of CSU. My opinion comes from being a proud alumni of this great place, as well as being a significant donor to both academic and athletic scholarships. CSU has an image problem that we are somehow "lesser" than other schools out there, and it is reinforced by our disconnected alumni and students. We must start reconnecting and promoting our 1st rate status, and this is a clear way to demonstrate it... by demanding excellence from our people, from our teams, and here, in how we build our facilities.	I understand people will have concerns about the unknown, but overall objections are not helpful. Public engagement must be focused on solutions, not objections... and the issue here is CSU's public image. It is not just a stadium. It is how we present ourselves to prospective students, to alumni, to the state and the nation. It is time we start presenting ourselves as a top of line university... in every respect.

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Decision is already made but would like to see more plans and details from the athletic department and CSU.	Don't let the majority down...we want to see this happen. I can't wait to bring my family and kids to games on campus and spend an entire weekend around CSU and CSU athletics.	Take your time, get all the info you need to make informed decisions and don't fail. Go Rams and well done on raising the \$500 million! For such a highly accredited academic institution, it is a shame our athletics doesn't get the attention it deserves to help market a stellar university. CSU is definitely a diamond in the rough.
None, I've decided it needs to be built		Don't let the stubborn anti-stadium people sway your decision, their arguments are terrible and almost all logistically solvable issues.
I would like to know something more about the total cost, maintenance of the facility, and more about plans for parking and/or public transportation to the stadium.	I am a die hard fan of CSU athletics and have had season tickets for over 35 years. I am very proud of my degree from CSU, but have always thought that CSU has settled for mediocrity in athletics, for too many years. In my mind, if you look at the setting and the academic excellence, it is time that athletics should shoot for the same kind of excellence. A quality on-campus stadium is a big part of this BOLD NEW ERA, and demonstrably shows CSU's commitment to excellence.	Respectfully listen to input from the public, incorporate any worthwhile suggestions into the plans, then BUILT THE STADIUM.....ASAP.

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<p>In my line of work I travel all over the country to different college campuses. I've seen on-campus stadiums and have been wishing CSU had one for years. I've already made up my mind about this issue years ago.</p>	<p>This is a very unique time in college athletics and we need to hurry. I'm sure the committee understands the shift going on in college athletics right now and CSU needs to get their act together soon or forever be left behind.</p> <p>There is no option to wait on this and plan for 10 to 15 years. We either act now or accept our fate as second class athletics and do nothing at all.</p>	<p>It concerns me that the stadium conversation veers off-topic. I think a lot of people are anti-athletics in general and don't help this discussion. This issue is about an on-campus stadium; not a debate on the merits of athletics and their place at a public university.</p>
<p>If Dr. Frank and Mr. Graham support the building of this stadium, that is all I need to know.</p>	<p>As a resident of Denver and a CSU alumni, I can't remember a time when our fan base has been this excited about the direction of the university. I think the university has done an outstanding job of raising the academic reputation of CSU over the past few years. As an alumni, I appreciate that. Now is the time to invest in our athletic program.</p>	<p>Get the facts out to the community. CSU needs to start its own website that lay out the details around the stadium plan, much like the University of Central Florida did. Feasibility studies, traffic analysis, economic impact, etc. Doing the due diligence on this project only makes us better. GO RAMS!</p>
<p>None. Build it.</p>	<p>Seeing as I'll be playing in the stadium I would like them to know how much pride the team would have playing in a stadium that would really feel like our own.</p>	<p>Listen to the public, but also take into account that, in my opinion, anyone not absolutely jacked up about this stadium is bat-shit crazy. Some lady that was at the meeting tonight was talking about how we can;t divert effort to building a new stadium because when the apocalypse comes we need to focus on food production... I hope you get my point.</p>

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The location of the stadium and the facade of the stadium is very important. I would also want to make sure that we are not raising tuition on in-state students to fund the stadium. Students are already having a tough time paying tuition without additional increases.	Let's build that stadium but let's not compromise on quality. If it takes a bit longer, that is okay.	While the Fort Collins community is important, the focus should be more squarely on the larger CSU community in this decision making process.
Total cost estimates and fundraising plan, but there is nothing in the overall process that I view as insurmountable.	Dr. Frank and Mr. Graham have laid out a great vision and clearly understand the benefits; there are no issues (traffic, funding, etc.) that can't be worked through, so let's execute on this fast and efficiently.	I like the process that is being used--the Center is an excellent choice to remove bias and ensure everyone is heard.
Location of the stadium, but I know they'll pick the right place.	That we must get this done, we must not cave to a few people to oppose.	The public has been involved enough, this stadium is being built from private funds.
None ... It has my full support.	The on campus stadium, IMO, is a need rather than a want for CSU	

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<p>how to donate to the cause.</p>	<p>we need to start raising funds!</p>	<p>start selling green and gold bricks for \$1k per donor that will be used in the stadium constuction.</p> <p>place these bricks in a "donor wall of fame area" for people to vie</p>

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	It needs to happen.	<p>Both opponents and proponents need to be more open to hear the other side's concerns. This has been as polarizing (it seems) as political topics like abortion. People jumped quickly to one side or the other and are unwilling to hear the other side's point-of-view.</p> <p>Also, while I certainly appreciate the public engagement aspect of the process and think it is the right thing to do, ultimately the leaders need to do what they believe is right for the university in the long term. I'm sure you don't need me to tell you that.</p>
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Ask alumni to contribute threw a brick buying process or something similar	With all the recent momentum you MUST strike now. Do not let this stall. Now is the time to act	Do not seek consensus.
	How important this is to the students, alumni and fans.	
None, I am convinced.	We need to build a new stadium to give something for the CSU community to rally around and be proud of.	I think that it will be important to get a lot of Alumni opinion and support. In they end they will be the one's to fund it a fill it.

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<p>Please have the courage to do what you know is right.</p>	<p>While the City of Fort Collins and CSU have a marriage and symbiotic relationship, this decision is CSU's and it's administration's. As the trough that keeps Fort Collins tax revenues afloat, CSU can move forward towards their vision of excellence.</p>	<p>None</p>

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<p>I don't need more information, but would like to see the proposed locations and what the committee feels the pros and cons are for each site and for the stadium overall. I'm for this stadium, and I'm glad someone is finally thinking big!</p>	<p>I want the committee to take their time and get this right for both the university and the community. 2014 is very ambitious, so if it takes an extra year to iron out the issues and get this done correctly to ensure success, then let's take that extra time. Continue to think big, and look at the big picture...not just a micro view.</p>	<p>As I've said above, keep thinking big for the university. CSU is a well kept secret, and it shouldn't be a secret anymore. Let's get this done and make something all CSU fans and alum can be proud of. I've never been this excited for CSU and CSU athletics, and I know of hundreds of people in ram nation that feel the same way. Just this talk has energized the base...can you imagine what it will be like once the building begins and the stadium opens?</p>

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<p>How are we going to get local businesses involved in this process and how can we solve traffic and parking issues so it is better for CSU on days that are not just game days. How can we take advantage of this process to better CSU on other days? Also, what other events will we design the new stadium to have? That being said, I have already decided that building a new on-campus stadium is a vital and necessary addition to CSU.</p>	<p>Athletics supports the alumni relations with the University. It is how alumni get exposure back to the school and a new on-campus stadium is vital to increasing this exposure. It will bring in millions of dollars annually to CSU. That being said, I want to see that it is built from private funding, not on the backs of students or tax dollars. But the benefit from increased sales taxes from thousands of fans attending the new stadium and the money that could be brought in from reattaching alumni back to CSU cannot be argued. Building this stadium is vital to getting us there.</p>	<p>How can we engage some of CSU's most die-hard fans in the design process? Fans know best what they excites them to attend, so how can they be part of the design?</p>
<p>Who, ultimately, is the decision making authority on whether or not a new stadium is built and where? Is it Dr. Frank? A small core team of adminisitrators? I would like to know this up front.</p>	<p>Do no harm. While I understand that the sites noted in the Coloradoan were not accurate, it is still a fact that much of the CSU campus is in the floodplain or, in the case of the Ropes Course site, the floodway. Any attempt to build in areas impacted by flooding must include a comprehensive environmental study and documentation about how flood waters will be mitigated.</p>	
<p>None. Build it!</p>	<p>I want a stadium.</p>	

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<p>Cost/benefit analysis that looks at long term costs and includes a reality check about the current trends in college football finances. Also, an honest evaluation of who benefits and how from an on-campus stadium. I would like the community to weigh in on Jack Graham's vision for us.</p> <p>Also, realistically, how will this impact student tuition in the future</p>	<p>Student tuition is rising in the double digits. CSU is obligated to educate and to keep that education as accessible as possible. Students now need an education to get a job and be productive members of our society. Accelerating the spending and focus on football is counterproductive to this mission. Currently, money invested in college football programs across the country have grown over 600% but profits have not. Money is diverted from academics and students to support these programs with their excessive costs. Tell me exactly why CSU will be different - no rah rah, I'd like credible information on how exactly, this benefits academics, student tuition and education and how CSU will go against the tide to turn a profit.</p>	<p>Concerns - there has not been public "engagement". This is being perpetrated on us. There has obviously been a long term plan to roll this out with the expectation that any critical thinking and community support is unnecessary.</p>
<p>None.....I think Jack has a great vision for the project. I would like to see some extra design features such as a mountain/cliff scene on the open end with bronze bighorn rams placed in a natural looking environment or a round coliseum design with Ram statues along the top rim.</p>	<p>1st class venue, good viewing from every seat , fan friendly design. Nice box seats and press box. Nice large replay screen. Scoreboard that streams scores from other games. Club level area with addl food distribution points.</p>	

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How long will it take.	<p>That the campus stadium will reconnect alumni with campus. Attending a game at Hughes and visiting campus/old town are mutually exclusive for some alumni and visitors.</p> <p>Building an on-campus stadium will not only improve recruiting for athletics, but academics as well.</p>	None at this time.
Traffic, parking, location, any cost increases or decreases to the fan. Trash pick up before, during & after event . Profile & architecture of the proposed stadium.	<p>That if they are going to build this stadium, that it truly is something the university can be proud of. Please don't cut corners or sacrifice the chance to build a architectural centerpiece that not only blends in with the campus, but is functionable and keeps fans coming back for more.</p>	Love the idea of having the communication professor involved in the process.
Already decided 25 years ago, on-campus stadium would have been fantastic in the 80's	They have my support to be creative in what comprises the stadium, such as classrooms, dormatory's, etc.	

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<p>Beyond a new stadium and placement. There are the infrastructure, community experience and overall economic changes that need to be addressed. Such as road access, (currently travel is so restricted when coming from I-25, both on number of lanes, traffic light sequencing, time in and out), new businesses (restaurants, bars, food, pre-game/post game entertainment establishments), extended tailgating, over night experiences options. How do we make this more than just a 3-4 hour experience. How to turn a football game, soccer game, rugby etc. into a postive 24-36 hour experience for the attendee and provides benefit for the community of Fort Collins.</p>	<p>I support a strong vision that includes vastly improving CSU's athletic tradition and improves student, alum and community experience. Academics and Athletics needs to interwoven where they are equal and drive value for each other. Currently academics is in a silo, undervalued, under invested and not leveraged for the entire university.</p>	<p>Balance on input. Listen to the many and not the loud few.</p>
<p>The layout of the stadium in conjunction with the current layout of the campus.</p>	<p>The overall look of the campus should be of one mindset. We should not have buildings that look like 1960 military buildings then 1980 bad architecture then 2010 futuristic sets. CU-Boulder has done an impressive job over the years making sure the entire campus, including Folsom Field, has a cohesive look to it.</p>	
<p>how fast can u build it</p>	<p>i am pro new stadium..pro CSU and ready to start winning again...lets get this done!</p>	
<p>None, I support 100%</p>		

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<p>Information about how the stadium would be integrated with the city's traffic plan and development plan, more information on how the stadium would be used and what it would include, and more information on the impact to the city.</p>	<p>As someone who's not huge on athletics, I'd like to see the stadium, if built, definitely have other good uses for the community besides just football, and that everything be done to mitigate negative effects on the community. How about links to K-12? Maybe do some creative thinking there.</p>	<p>Find some way to reduce the disrespectfulness on the part of some. The laughing, raising of signs, and shaking of heads while people were speaking was distracting and rude to those of us there to listen.</p>
<p>Plans for infrastructure to handle crowds for the close-in option.</p> <p>Serious consideration of ways that Hughes could be changed to meet the goals of excitement, size, etc. I would love to see plans that show expansion of the stadium in increments as needed, and landscaping that makes the approach magnificent. I'd like to see serious imaginative alternatives to the new stadium.</p>	<p>I understand the goals of the university. I would like consideration of alternative ways to reach those goals before deciding that we must have a new stadium</p>	<p>Open, Open , Open.</p> <p>And, the commitment on all sides that there is no "loss of face" in a fair deliberation. We can still support the new athletic director and his passion and the football program even if the decision is that it is not wise to build an on-campus stadium. We can also still support the new athletic director and his passion and the football program if it is decided that all steps to a new stadium can be accomplished and would be a huge asset to the community.</p>

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<p>excited to see the end product and my family and I cheering on the Colorado State University Rams in the new stadium.</p>	<p>It would be parking. What types of transportation will be provided to make sure all who attend the football game do it safely and comfortably.</p>	<p>the negotiable side of bringing cost of constructing this stadium and how it's going to be passed onto the local taxpayers. Wrong! This new stadium would be an asset to the community as a whole and bring in much needed dollars into the local business. I have seen this personally, Oklahoma State University with their new stadium and how it impacted Stillwater, Oklahoma.</p>
<p>I basically want to see that the location will facilitate access to the stadium through good parking and traffic accommodation.</p>	<p>I think it is very important for CSU to have an expanded stadium capacity to maintain and improve the status of CSU on the regional and national level. If it is determined that an on-campus stadium that will accommodate 50k fans is not feasible, that expansion of Hughes will be pursued with high priority.</p>	<p>I believe the transparent approach demonstrated in the initial committee meeting is very positive. I believe that most Ram fans will get behind the project if they are shown that the project has been well researched and that an on-campus stadium will provide significant additional benefit to the University for the long term.</p>

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	<p>When I came to Ft. C. in 1956, the town was 15,000 & CSU enrollment 5,000. I have followed closely the ups and downs of CSU winning & losing periods. The winning period energized the community, not only CSU and has added to CSU excellence & recognition by graduating achievers. We are in a rapidly changing world & those of us that do not adapt to whats happening in the academic & athletic marketplace will lose heavily. These are reasons for my view on the on campus stadium. Suggestions: Avoid or ignor the "Mind is made up, don't confuse me with the facts" people. Don't let emotions make decisions. Also, keep in mind most issues have negatives. In this case, fees, failure, finances, noise, traffic, etc. Your decision should be "Does the good outweigh the bad".</p>	<p>I like the process as outlined. Heavy student engagement and learning opportunities.</p>

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Will there be any method (train, bus, etc) for moving fans from Denver to Fort Collins on gameday?	This project is not about the Fort Collins community. It is about the university, its students, and its alumni being able to interact with each other as well as the city of Fort Collins merchants. This about marketing and the future and not about football or individuals.	Keep doing what you're doing so far. This interaction is great. I can follow it from home in Colorado Springs and maybe even attend some meetings on days when there isn't a blizzard.
I am in favor of this idea and pursuit and back it fully	Do the right thing.	Allow public engagement to the fullest extent possible from all sides, as well as don't be afraid to dream big but at the same time we don't need a 75,000+ capacity
None.	I just want the committee to understand how passionate the supporters of this movement are and how dedicated we are to seeing this idea come to fruition.	I just ask that the public is allowed an opportunity to make a legitimate impact on the project. Tony and Jack have promised so, and I trust them fully.
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	Not every fan went to CSU.	Put the money in the old stadium.
Total cost and how the School intends to raise the funds.		How much additional, economic benefit a stadium on campus should generate with fans coming into town and staying rather than driving through town to get to Hughes.
1. Plans for access to green areas during event days 2. Traffic flow analysis from Denver. Loveland, and points east	I'm for the vision!!!!!!!!!!!!!!	
Nothing. Get it done!	I'm a big fan and a supporter of the Athletic department. I want to make sure that CSU has all the tools to develop a top ranked football program.	In the development process of the new stadium, will there be consideration where we will be able to tailgate before the game?

<p>What additional information would you need to decide about this issue?</p>	<p>What is the most important thing you want the advisory committee to understand about your view of this issue?</p>	<p>What questions/concerns/suggestions do you have for the public engagement process?</p>
<p>I have made my decision. I am completely for it. I do, however, want to see the donations and money in place to build the stadium before it is built. I do not want students to foot the bill for cost overruns. The fact that this is being done with private funds is key to me supporting it. If CSU says it is going to be done with private funds, make damn sure it is actually done with private funds.</p>	<p>I will no longer be a student at CSU by the time this stadium is built. I will still be a stakeholder in the success of CSU in all of its endeavors. I do not want any part of CSU left behind relative to its peers. If I ever have children, I want to bring them back to CSU in 30 years and show them what a great place this is and what a great place this can be. I want to be proud to show my alma mater off. I want the state of Colorado to be proud of its shining jewel in Fort Collins.</p>	<p>I want the community engaged in an honest and thoughtful discussion. There are reasonable questions that have been asked about this project. Among these are questions regarding traffic management, noise, parking requirements and what is to be done with Hughes Stadium. I want CSU to make a good faith effort to address and mitigate these concerns.</p> <p>That said, there has been criticism leveled against this project that should not be taken seriously. Rantings about urine stained mailboxes and weed pipes should not derail this project. There is too much at stake here to be bogged down by addressing irrational and unsubstantiated fears. Critics who are beyond convincing will throw whatever they can at this project to see what sticks, whether it is truthful or not. Please do not get sucked into playing such games.</p>
<p>None...it needs to happen to create energy around CSU athletics and charge/engage the alumni.</p>	<p>I understand that education is the most important aspect of the university which is why I believe a strong athletic program and more so football program is crucial to raising funds to support CSU's academic growth and spurring the growth of the university's image (both in the state and nationally).</p>	<p>Why not? If the only reason for not supporting a stadium is NIMBYism, these people clearly don't understand the positive impact an on campus stadium will have on their community.</p>

<p>What additional information would you need to decide about this issue?</p>	<p>What is the most important thing you want the advisory committee to understand about your view of this issue?</p>	<p>What questions/concerns/suggestions do you have for the public engagement process?</p>
<p>1. A full and transparent cost/benefit analysis for this proposal must be presented by the University.</p> <p>2. The CSU Center for Public Deliberation is obviously not an impartial body. For a scheme of this magnitude, City, County and State organizations should be involved since the project will have major impacts on all of us. I would need to see comprehensive reviews by independent professional bodies, just as I would with an airport, refinery or power generating station within our city.</p> <p>3. A detailed plan for the demolition or reuse of Hughes Stadium in a responsible, economically sound way is needed.</p>	<p>That I and many or my contacts feel totally excluded from this extravagant, growth oriented, booster supported project decision. All growth is not good (look at Phoenix!) and it really doesn't matter where the initial money is coming from.</p>	<p>1. Truly public meetings. 2. An truly independent review process. 3. Less vocal support from the student body.</p>
<p>Is this stadium going to seat enough people to meet the standards set by a conference such as Pac 10 or Big 12?</p>	<p>The university needs to make a push to join a BCS conference.</p>	<p>Do we want to be a relevant football program?</p>

<p>What additional information would you need to decide about this issue?</p>	<p>What is the most important thing you want the advisory committee to understand about your view of this issue?</p>	<p>What questions/concerns/suggestions do you have for the public engagement process?</p>
<p>That the University plans to use an on campus stadium for many events within the university and also FOR the community. concerts, campus celebrations, Fort Collins festivals, club sports, etc. The University has a GREAT opportunity to provide a state of the art facility that can be used not only for the university but as a community/regional facility that would in return allow CSU to profit from it! Win-win situation! Hughes is an outdated facility that no longer is used for concerts and other events because of its location and zoning. Traffic, and accessibility makes Hughes very unsustainable facility. A campus stadium in the HEART of the community centrally located in the most densely populated areas of the Fort Collin urban area is a key point that also needs to be at the focal points in understanding the pros of having a stadium located on campus.</p>	<p>Mutli-use facility. HELPING not hurting the traffic problem in Fort Collins. Accessibility, and community oriented.</p>	<p>That the public sees this as a football issue. When really it is an INVESTMENT for the University which can profit from a state of the art facility on campus. Also it is inline with sustainability initiatives that are taught in the classrooms of CSU. A stadium that is walkng distance from the University population = Sustainability. Community events centrally located in town and within the heart of the #1 economic center = Sustainable. Profit from concerts and other sporting events = economic sustainability. Higher attendance to football games = Sustainability for Athletics. Less carbon gasses emitted due to more people riding bikes, walking and being CLOSER to the stadium = SUSTAINABLE! The community (non CSU citizens attending events on campus = community social sustainability for the University.</p>

What additional information would you need to decide about this issue?	What is the most important thing you want the advisory committee to understand about your view of this issue?	What questions/concerns/suggestions do you have for the public engagement process?
I would like to have information regarding what else the stadium would be used for. It would be nice to know that national acts or events are interested in using an on campus stadium.	If this project is done...I want it done the best way possible. I would like to see clean sight lines to the mountains to stay intact.	What will happen to Hughes? I am concerned that the stadium will be left to waste away. How is the public engagement process reaching out to alumni for input?
The location and how cost overruns will be handled.	Please do not believe that those who screams the loudest is the majority.	Have every meeting open to the public with a Q & A period. Publize the reasonC.s why the stadium is a positive thing for FC.
We would come to more games in Fort Collins if it was in town. When we do go to a game, we rarely go to old town and spend money. Both my wife and I lived around the University and it would be great to be around the University and our memories during game days.	CSU football is an ambassador for the University. It is not the most important aspect of the University, but it is the most visible nationally. It is important from a marketing standpoint for the whole University that athletics does well.	
None. I've decided. I'm just wondering when the fund drive will start. I'll have my checkbook ready.	Don't get mired down in all of the concerns, and I'm sure there will be many. Focus on the critical issues and figure them out. I would hope there are more supporters of this bold idea than critics or cynics.	How long is the process going to take?

<p>What additional information would you need to decide about this issue?</p>	<p>What is the most important thing you want the advisory committee to understand about your view of this issue?</p>	<p>What questions/concerns/suggestions do you have for the public engagement process?</p>
<p>I do not need any further info. A modern/tasteful 50K seat on campus stadium has a massive upside for the institution and the town.</p>	<p>I am a 98 Alum and resident of Larimer county, will donate what I can for the stadium and/or join the Ram Club once plans are announced. Already plan to attend more games with the hire of Jim McElwain.</p>	<p>Every communication/meeting needs to shoot down the "no parking", "money for academics", NIMBY's that make up the anti-stadium crowd. Although they are like talking to a concrete floor and their minds won't be changed, putting out the obvious tangible counters to their arguments out all the time will shrink their little world down further.</p>
<p>I believe it is very important to engage experts in designing and building sports venues. These companies have a wealth of knowledge, through experience, in the all the facets of building a stadium, from location to transportation and crowd control to name just few. Priority should be placed on building a first-class multi-use facility.</p>	<p>It is imperative that this project follow through to completion. Like it or not, the branding from college athletics and specifically football is key to attracting both students and donations, both athletic and academic.</p>	<p>I have no concerns and am looking forward to participating with the Center for Public Deliberation in the ongoing discourse involving new stadium issues.</p>

What additional information would you need to decide about this issue?	What is the most important thing you want the advisory committee to understand about your view of this issue?	What questions/concerns/suggestions do you have for the public engagement process?
Nothing	This needs to happen. Colorado State is a great university. I graduated from CSU in 1994 with a Bachelor of Science degree in Environmental Health. My experiences there were wonderful and I want nothing more than the best for the University and an on campus stadium is what is best!	None, I trust the leadership at Colorado State.

<p>What additional information would you need to decide about this issue?</p>	<p>What is the most important thing you want the advisory committee to understand about your view of this issue?</p>	<p>What questions/concerns/suggestions do you have for the public engagement process?</p>
<p>In addition to answers to the above questions, I would like discussion of a mechanism for accountability, with goals, time lines, evaluation criteria, and consequences that the committee and Mr. Graham could work together to develop. I think that this would assuage my fear that Mr. Graham could push the project, it could flop, and the city, university, and students would be left holding the bag while he runs off to Boulder.. This issue is a large part of why I have an emotional response to the proposal--there is the potential for injustice--and I would feel more able to have a productive discussion if specific goals and consequences were discussed in addition to the "big dreams" that are emphasized. The two go hand in hand.</p> <p>How exactly do new competition facilities improve a team's performance? I understand the importance of having lots of resources for training (weight rooms, study rooms, practice fields, etc.), but is there a correlation between new stadiums and a team's record? Over what time frame?</p>	<p>While the committee is set up in a way that seems to emphasize "how?" Please continue to consider "if?" It will look bad for us all if we make an investment on a whim and it backfires.</p>	<p>I would like the committee to consider and present some data or projections (rather than persuasion based on anecdotes, alumni quotes, and emotion that Mr. Graham discussed last night.) I think that having that information from relatively non-biased sources could lessen the vitriol on both sides. I want to hear the pragmatic arguments, not just the emotional arguments.</p> <p>I would like more hard information, rather than logical jumps in an attempt at persuasion. I'm not all anti-stadium, but I think that there are risks and I want hard and honest answers, knowing that they will be mixed good and bad, before I think we should proceed.</p>

<p>What additional information would you need to decide about this issue?</p>	<p>What is the most important thing you want the advisory committee to understand about your view of this issue?</p>	<p>What questions/concerns/suggestions do you have for the public engagement process?</p>
<p>Make sure it's privately funded to avoid giving the anti stadium group any more ammunition.</p>		
<p>Nothing, I've already decided. I was born and raised in Fort Collins, this needs to happen, it'd be great for Fort Collins.</p>	<p>Athletics has changed over the last few years, the have's, and the have not's. It's a major concern if CSU doesn't do this, it has no chance at a major conference invite, and not only athletics, but CSU overall would take a huge hit as there will be a lot less money for the have not's.</p>	<p>Just get it done!! It's been needed for ages.</p>
<p>What will happen to the current stadium and the property? No one has addressed this. How can the large amount of money just spent at Hughes be justified? Where will parking be and how much will that cost to build then to use if I go to a game? Charging more for tickets, parking or anything else additional will squeeze out fans, it'll be too expensive to go.</p>	<p>This is not a viable idea at this time. There needs to be a winning football team (or any other team that may use the facility) to get the seats filled; not to do it 'just because'. You want more students to come to games at Hughes, shuttle them there - they're safe, they can be picked up on campus and dropped back 'home' (resident halls);</p>	<p>Private funding to build it is fine, who will be responsible after that? Who pays for upkeep, patrolling, maintenance, etc.? Where are the considerations? If one of the sites is by the Gardens at Spring Creek, you're going to piss off a LOT of people that live in the retirement homes to the south - I've heard this from several of them.</p>

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Why is Huges Stadium suddenly no longer adequate?	If ANY of the money is coming from taxes or anything other than private donations, then I'd be totally against it.	
i am pretty much behind the idea would be interested to know how to give to the fundraising and what amounts can be given for it	that this would be great for CSU as a whole and im very excited about it and hope it moves forward	
Hopefully capacity of stadium would be 50,000+ and we fill it up each home game! If we can't put butts in the stands to help pay for the new stadium don't build it.		
none my mind was made up in 2002.	build it on campus and with an end zone club for the ram club members. Make it a place that ram club members want to be and can be in on more then just on game day.	What is the validity behind the few residents of Fort Collins not supporting it. These kinds of stadiums are a benefit to local economies.
	As a property owner in the Sheeley district south of campus, I will work to engage this neighborhood to oppose a stadium site along Center Avenue.	

What additional information would you need to decide about this issue?	What is the most important thing you want the advisory committee to understand about your view of this issue?	What questions/concerns/suggestions do you have for the public engagement process?
none	<p>This is a no brainer. If it is possible to get private funding for this project, CSU, the city and business owners should be helping in any way possible. This could be a boon to the city/business owners and, if done correctly, could be an centerpiece/face of the university</p>	<p>keep pounding home the fact that it is publicly funded. Make sure they understand that this isn't money being funneled away from academics. I would mention the recent \$500M fundraising effort for education. Say something like, we saw how CSU was able to raise \$500M for academics and we were inspired to do the same thing for athletics.</p>
<p>I am pleased that this is an open process and look forward to hearing the pros and cons of various locations, designs etc. That said, I can't imagine that anything will change how excited I am by the prospect of an on campus stadium.</p>	<p>I have been a life long Rams fan and was born and raised in Fort Collins. I am not sure I have ever been as excited as I am right now. The idea of actually having something better--working to move to another level really makes me happy. CSU is a fantastic institution and has made some many important improvements in recent years. I would love to see Athletics keep pace with the University overall. I absolutely agree with AD Graham that this stadium will energize the fan base and the community.</p>	<p>I think the first meeting was quite good. I am glad the meetings are open. I hope that the committee continues to do a good job of keeping the meetings organized and the tone civil. Some of the comments by the people against the stadium concern me because they seem to be very personal (attacks) and intent on stopping the stadium without even knowing the details of what it is yet. That said, I think having a transparent process is vital to success in this process and I congratulate the university on its approach thus far.</p>

What additional information would you need to decide about this issue?	What is the most important thing you want the advisory committee to understand about your view of this issue?	What questions/concerns/suggestions do you have for the public engagement process?
<p>What the proposed location, capacity, and means of mass transportation to the facility are.</p>	<p>I feel that by building a modern facility on Campus, CSU will be able to step out of the shadow of CU. Also, the potential income growth from out of state students will greatly help the University in a time when State budget cuts are threatening to turn CSU into an inferior institution.</p>	<p>I would suggest at every meeting making the facts visible for everyone concerned. This could include that no tax payer money will be utilized, how much State funding has been cut in the past 10 years, how much money it costs to maintain Hughs Stadium, the potential benefit to local businesses, and extra sales tax income for the city.</p>
<p>Nothing. Get it done!</p>	<p>An on campus stadium is a must if they ever want CSU to compete consistently with higher profile programs.</p>	
<p>Im an alumni who has never donated to csu but you can be sure I'll donate to get this done.</p>	<p>I'm an alumni who lives in Denver. I love csu and want to see it as more than the other state school in co. A stadium doesn't fix all the problems but it's a start and I'll be happy to put my money where my mouth is.</p>	<p>Why are people dragging their feet?</p>
		<p>Do not do this</p>

What additional information would you need to decide about this issue?	What is the most important thing you want the advisory committee to understand about your view of this issue?	What questions/concerns/suggestions do you have for the public engagement process?
I want to be certain that all reasonable voices are heard and that objective data is applied to both sides in the decision making process.	I wholeheartedly support the goal of bringing a stadium on campus. Ten years ago I wondered if it would be possible to bring the stadium back on campus and correct a mistake made in 1968. In order for it to succeed it must be a multi-use facility and have access for all on the campus not just athletics. I would like to see the alumni center be located there, as well as a museum that reflects the history of and contributions by CSU to the region and the state.	If the process described by CSU president Frank is followed I have none.
I want the momentum to continue and I am excited to see CSU take the necessary steps to really bring a lot more exposure to the University.		
With the information currently available - I'm for moving forward.	With President Frank setting forth initiatives to not touch tuition increases, public funds, and to protect green space and existing mountain views - I believe utilizing the planned Mason Street transportation corridor to help mitigate game day traffic concerns is the next important issue.	I would like to see an informational campaign set forth to help educate the residents on the economics of college athletics and how a successful football program can be leveraged to benefit the growth and academic reputation of the entire university - not to mention the benefit the local economy would receive as well.

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Make this happen for the university and it's students and alumni!

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lets do this. you have a tremendous groundswell of excited fans, especially on the website ramnation.com

lets not lose this momentum and start the fund raising now. caveat it, place the donations in a interest bearing fund until final approvals.

if for some reason the stadium doesn't happen, give the donors and option to have the funds returned or used to gasp...renovate hughes

**Additional questions
or comments.**

Thank you!

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Go Rams!!!

Go Rams!

**Additional questions
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Occupy Stadium people should travel sometime to a school who's community supports their athletics and see what kind of amazing things can happen.

**Additional questions
or comments.**

Is there a good way for out-of-state alum to get involved in the process? While it is harder to be there in person to show my support, I would love to help out in whatever way possible.

Is there a way to submit a pledge already?

Can I put in a reservation for a tailgating spot on the oval for the opening game? :)

brandon.m.ford@gmail.com

**Additional questions
or comments.**

The on-campus stadium
idea is a great idea and
I fully support it!

**Additional questions
or comments.**

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None at this time.

I want to see this happen and although there are many challenges to overcome, I envision this being one of the greatest moments in CSU history. After all, the things that are most difficult and hardest to do, usually end up being the most rewarding.

**Additional questions
or comments.**

I hope CSU sells
tailgate spots next to
the new stadium

**Additional questions
or comments.**

Do you see that the timeline/agenda for the newly formed advisory committee presupposes the new stadium, and that alone can feel like "a done deal" to people who are currently opposed to the idea?

**Additional questions
or comments.**

Let's build this stadium.

**Additional questions
or comments.**

On further comment entitled IMPORTANT THING i WANT ADVISORY COMMITTEE. ETC. when I printed this form out, did not contain the whole explanation. Suggestions: Avoid or ignor the "Mind is made up, don't confuse me with the facts" people. Don't let emotions make decisions. Also, keep in mind most issues have negatives. In this case, fees, failure, finances, nose, traffic, etc. Your decision should be "Does the good outweigh the bad".

**Additional questions
or comments.**

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<p>Raising the profile of the University via athletics will only elevate the entire University. CSU is a great place, let's make it better.</p>

**Additional questions
or comments.**

Get this train moving as fast as possible. Do it the right way, and this project could revolutionize CSU and Fort Collins. And last but not least, I am proud to be a CSU Ram.

**Additional questions
or comments.**

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Go Rams!!!

THIS IS A GREAT Form
or Forum, for the
public's input on this
issue. WELL DONE!

**Additional questions
or comments.**

I am excited to have a chance to support the new stadium financially and personally.

Go Rams!

Thanks for doing this.

GO RAMS!!!

**Additional questions
or comments.**

In the Feb 3 meeting I felt that the committee got off to a very good start and was particularly impressed with the subcommittee formed and the tasks commissioned to those committees.

**Additional questions
or comments.**

Thank you!

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I hope Mr. Graham and President Frank participate in discussions facilitated by the CPD. It seems like a good model, and I would feel more trusting of their ideas if they took that step to show that they really care about public discussion and this community.

Additional questions or comments.
<p>It's understood you are a committee making a recommendation. To do this by the end of this semester is way too soon, and will not have taken all aspects in to consideration.</p> <p>Football is NOT what CSU is about. AD Graham is delusional with his comments about athletics is why people come to CSU. We are getting ready to increase enrollment for international students - they don't want to come here because we have an on-campus football stadium - they want to come there to get AN EDUCATION.</p>

Additional questions or comments.
Good luck, I am in support of new on-campus stadium!
CSU should explore alternative methods to transport sports fans from campus and Old Town to and from Hughes. This would increase downtown business and incentivize game attendance, and most importantly reduce traffic. Remember the Green University slogan !

**Additional questions
or comments.**

I think this is a great thing and is completely necessary. If CSU football doesn't start winning, get this stadium and start getting supported by fans, we will lose any chance at getting picked up by a bcs conference (if we don't the money just isn't there).

Additional questions or comments.
<p>If the stadium is built on campus and needs to run in an East-West direction, I would recommend leaving the West end open to be able to view the mountains. I would also recommend working with the City to facilitate the Mason Street corridor to aid in getting fans to the game. I would also recommend that an agreement be reached with the city to provide free game day parking in the Old Town parking garages with busses to the stadium.</p>

**Additional questions
or comments.**

I was pleased with how the president and athletic director handled the meeting and I think the committee is off to a fantastic start.

Online Answers to Initial Feedback Forms from first Stadium Advisory Committee Meeting Second Posting

This document contains the data from Feb. 6 to Feb. 15.

Another document includes the data from Feb. 3 – Feb 6: (<http://www.cpd.colostate.edu/CSU%20Stadium%20Public%20Input%20Forum2-5.pdf>)

The initial meeting of the Stadium Advisory Committee was on Friday, February 3rd. The meeting was open to the public to observe, but time for public comment was not available. Those participating were provided feedback forms with several prompts to provide their initial opinions about the proposal to build an on-campus stadium.

70 of those forms were turned in at the end of the process. Those forms were scanned, and are provided in full in a separate document (<http://www.cpd.colostate.edu/first%20committee%20meeting%20-%20feedback%20forms.pdf>).

The same questions were provided online for others to answer, and this document includes all the unedited responses provided online.

We will update this document periodically as responses come in.

It was difficult to put all 5 questions side by side, so we have the first two questions first, and then on page 15, the last three questions begin. The five questions were:

1. Regarding the potential building of a new on-campus stadium at CSU, I am excited about...
2. I am concerned that...
3. What additional information would you need to decide about this issue?
4. What is the most important thing you want the advisory committee to understand about your view of this issue?
5. What questions/concerns/suggestions do you have for the public engagement process?

The arguments, ideas, concerns, and questions expressed in these forms will be utilized to help design the public process and inform the stadium committee's decision. Part of the process will also be identifying and attempting to resolve factual questions and inaccuracies. Obviously we cannot attest to the validity of factual claims made on these forms. If you have a specific response or concern to a point made on one of these forms, you can email the CPD at cpd@colostate.edu. Note the page number if you are referencing something specific.

These input forms are also not necessarily representative of relevant stakeholders, as any online process is susceptible to individuals posting multiple times. This information is being used to get a sense of the issues, not to count how many people are for or against at this point.

I am excited about...	I am concerned that...
Everything the athletic department is trying to do.	The negative people around the Fort Collins community.
the idea that Colorado State University is thinking BIG!. CSU is a well kept secret and one that should be exposed. Like it or not, college athletics can and DO provide the financial foundation, upon which a great university can be made even better.	
the prospect of an on campus stadium. I know the university is in dire need of some traditions and fan support from around the nation. I think this stadium will boost gameday experiences in Fort Collins and be beneficial to all involved.	the parking situation. I love the group that I tailgate with now and if they are lots assigned around campus for season ticket holders, I would like to be able to tailgate with current group. I also do not want to have to park in a parking garage. Who really wants to tailgate in a parking garage? Hopefully the tailgate experience will not be neglected.
	The committee is not impartial. Why is Jack Graham co-chairing when he should not be influencing the decisions made by an impartial committee? He should be removed as a chair and sit back and wait for the recommendations find their own merit without his influence.
starting some actual tradition around our football and athletics by building a new on-campus stadium which will increase alumni participation and provide a long-term solution regarding funding our athletic department.	Parking will be an issue, as it is limited on and near campus. Also not sure where there will be locations to tailgate from your vehicle.
<p>The potential to achieve new horizons, the new Coaching Staff, and new opportunities for the Football Program to re-establish itself as the MWC Champ, a consistent top 25, then consistent top 10 team.</p> <p>I am also excited to see if CSU's fan base will actually rally to support the Team/Program once it returns to the success that Sonny brought. Last time, CSU's fanbase & the City of FC failed to appreciate and capitalize on the great success Sonny achieved.</p>	<p>a "New On Campus Stadium" (NOCS) with 50k seats costing \$150M quite simply makes little sense when compared to an "expanded upgraded Hughes" (EUH) with 60k seats costing \$50M. People keep confusing and comparing NOCS to the current Hughes, which is faulty logic.</p> <p>1st off -- a 40k-50k seat New On Campus Stadium (NOCS) will not gain any more favorable attention from the Big 12 or any other BCS Conference... versus a 50k-60k seat Expanded Upgraded Hughes (EUH). The Big 12 doesn't give a hoot about "On-Campus" vs. "Off-Campus" stadiums. They only care about the Fans Television support (viewership), and attendance of their teams Home & Away games!!</p> <p>2nd, Hughes can be expanded inexpensively, easily & rapidly (relative to the NOCS) due to:</p> <p>a) its existing structure, infrastructure & parking supporting 35k fans that is already in place, already paid for, and it provides a rock-solid structural base on which to expand & upgrade up to 65k seats. So if the cost to build a 50k seat NOCS is \$150M (\$100M to \$200M), then the cost for EUH will be about \$30M-\$60M, including multi-level and modern parking structures. Plus Over Night tailgating facilities and a Hotel.</p> <p>b) the Hughes location will always be 20% to 30% lower to build upon due to</p>

its location away from the students, the traffic, and Campus & City structures & Infrastructures (streets/sewers/watermains/electricity/communications). The costs, risks and the hazards associated with constructing in a crowded area near large amounts of people increases Insurance costs, times spent waiting on traffic, time spent moving infrastructures, etc.

So, the out of pocket \$\$'s needed to be raised from CSU donors will be at least \$100M more for a NOCS... for the construction costs.

3rd, But what about the "opportunity costs" and out of pocket costs of LAND for a NOCS??? Isn't it a fact that CSU's campus is land-locked at about 358 acres? With CSU aggressive expansion plans, won't a NOCS prevent further educational & student housing buildings from being built On Campus (where they belong)?

One reason Univ Central Flor decided to build their NOCS because they were over-paying to lease a deteriorating, City owned, stadium that was about 15 miles from campus... and their campus is about 1,200 acres. CSU's is less than 400 acres.

I am concerned that the "benefits" of building a NOCS are unsubstantiated (at best), and significantly overestimated (at worst). Two claimed benefits I feel quite certain are seriously exaggerated are the claims that a NOCS (vs EUH) will improve our recruiting, thus improve or Football Team/Program, and thus bring more crowds, and thus generate more Revenue. I suggest that any incremental Revenue generated by NOCS vs EUH is negligible or minor, especially when compared to the incremental Costs.

The other MAJOR benefit I hear touted is that the NOCS (vs EUH) will bring more alumni back to Campus for games 5 or 6 times per year , establishing stronger ties, raising more "giving" to CSU. Surely or University Events & Marketing teams can generate more compelling ways to get our Alums to drive 2 miles from EUH (Hughes) to the Campus in order to save the incremental \$100M cost?

And since when was it in CSU's charter to financially benefit the local FC businesses by providing economic gain via Football fans? Should CSU decide to take that "to do", I suggest there's alot less expensive ways to get attendees to come Downtown from the EUH -- like hiring some great bands and putting on large drawing shows downtown pre & post games. A \$1M/ year budget for 6 of these type EVENTS would draw more fans to Hughes & into Downtown.

	I am concerned that nobody has provided any verifiable "metrics" on the INCREMENTAL BENEFITS of NOCS vs EUH -- to CSU, the Football Program, and the City of FC.
CSU taking time to hear opinions	this is a "done deal"
After years of "getting by," and hoping for winning results, CSU is finally recognizing the value of investing in its athletics program and elevating it to equate its academic reputation. Athletics carries the university name to a public audience, and the perceived value of the institution with that audience - right or wrong - is based on the performance of our teams. This is also a perception picked up and promoted by the media. If we are to survive and thrive in today's athletics environment, we need to make this investment in our football program, which leads the way in terms of image, perception and income for the athletics department. Having supported the Rams for 36 years, it's great to see a commitment by the university to promote the CSU brand and image via athletics. It's a much-needed step. An on-campus stadium is a wise investment in CSU's future - both academically and athletically.	The negativity from uninformed and misinformed residents will slow or detour the stadium process unnecessarily. This is a rare and valuable opportunity for advancement that we cannot miss out on. Please combat public ignorance and misrepresentation of facts with a strong communication plan.
I am excited about the idea of an on campus stadium. I think that a new stadium can only excite the student body. I only wish that we could have had an on campus stadium while I was attending Colorado State.	I am concerned that some malcontents will somehow try to mess up the effort. I attended the meeting on Friday night. Most of the folks I saw with SOS stickers pasted on their chest I suspect have never seen the inside of Hughes Stadium. The SOS people have a right to voice their opinions. They just need to bring some valid arguments to the table.
building a new on-campus stadium. I think it was a major error many years ago when Hughes was built off campus	Obviously, we need to make sure that issues like parking and traffic on game days are dealt with.
About a new stadium if it will be use for other events and sports besides football!	About the parking, impact to neighboring communities, and security or policing on campus.
The refurbishing being done at the college to all the dorms.	I am paying for my daughter (and another one attending next year) to go to college, and the amount keeps going up by at least 9% every year, but they are discussing putting the stadium on campus at a tremendous cost. Where is this money coming from? Wouldn't it be better used for educational reasons or to lower the cost of tuition?
The rebuilding of the Equine research center.	CSU is going to build a stadium on-campus.
a new on-campus stadium! I love the progressive and forward thinking of the CSU leadership.	
Getting a new CSU president that cares more about the true purpose of this institution, education, than the football program.	The university is not considering the negative impact an on -campus stadium will have the community it sits in the middle of.
Building a new tradition with an on-campus stadium!	The parking and traffic movement will be difficult if it is located on Shields near Moby. Also....will there be an area for tailgating? Will Ovations/CSU still allow non-profit groups the opportunity to work the food/drink stands? This has been an amazing partnership for the Fort Collins Stars Girls Softball Club to help our families raise money to help pay for the fees associated with playing softball. This is the ONLY way that

	some of us can afford to pay for softball and enjoy the wonderful impact it has made in the lives of so many local girls.
1. renewed enthusiasm for CSU sports based on a sparkling new facility on campus. 2. The national attention CSU as a university can get if the football team improves. 3. positioning CSU to at least be in the conversation when the next round of conference realignment begins	Although I share Jack Graham's excitement about a new stadium, I think it's more important to do it well than to do it quickly. If it can be done well and open in 2014 I'm all for it. But if another year is need to do it right, then use that year.
football being good again with new coach and AD. Maybe an onsite stadium?	we won't get the fan support back.
The future of CSU and the ability to compete at the highest level both athletically and academically.	Some do not understand the impact this could have on CSU and Fort Collins. The limited view of a vocal few will cause this to fail. CSU needs big thinking and dreams.
The possibility of the ffootball team finally being worthy of attention and seeling lots of tickets.	In ten years, we'll be in trouble with the NCAA for some violations. How are we going to grow this fast, put so much precious on coaches, staff, and community, and not have someone violate ethics and hurt young athletes? I also want the university to focus on a great education for all students, not just what makes the national news.
I am very excited to build a on campus stadium. I believe the CSU community will be support the football program with an on campus stadium. It will be a much safer way for the students at CSU to enjoy the game day activities. As a past student I remember asking for a designated driver to drive a large group to Hughes. The problem with that is even if the driver did stay completely sober, not likely, it is a long way to drive with a carload of intoxicated friends being loud and extremely distractive. On campus a much better solution!!!!	The only concern is the cost.
An on Campus Stadium that would create excitement around CSU athletics (especially the football team) and at the same time would be an economic stimulus for the City of Fort Collins. How can the community lose if the stadium is built with private funding and no new taxes? If we want a quality game day experience that draws attendance from our Alumni and fan base located in the surrounding Denver area this is a no brainer! A new Stadium on campus would by far be the long term connection to the Alumni base and facilitate on campus visits and interaction.	That people who lack vision and have a personal bias against the new stadium; or against the popularity of College Football; or believe a new on campus stadium is an attack on education will generate sufficient noise despite being in the vast majority will derail a once in a lifetime opportunity.
All the people	There won't be enough people
Integrating the game day experience with the campus where I spent some of the more enjoyable years of my life. Being able to show my children around the area and share some of my fond memories of my college years. Right now, I'm forced into a choice. Tailgate prior to the game and enjoy time with friends I only am able to see a few times a year, or spend time touring the campus	Building a stadium on campus may make the campus area too crowded and could adversely affect traffic patterns on game days. Parking would also need to be addressed, as would how to handle those of us who pay for dedicated tailgate spots in the current setup at Hughes Stadium.
an on campus stadium as it will bring new exciting energy to the university, new revenue to local business and increase interest for students and athletes to come to CSU!	I don't really have any concerns. CU makes it work well and really is able to get the whole community involved in games. This really energizes the program!

<p>The prospect of an on-campus stadium, which would serve as a catalyst for increased support of the university and the community, enable economic development opportunities, and establish a greater draw for Denver-area alumni and football fans.</p>	<p>A vocal minority will oppose this and wield disproportionate influence, primarily because of being averse to change.</p>
<p>The possibility of moving ahead with CSU football on a more credible level.</p>	
<p>A 50,000 seat stadium on campus. The game day experience and being able to walk around the Lory Student Center, my old workspace at the campus bookstore, and my old class buildings with my children before going to the game.</p>	<p>Fretters (people who fret about things that really don't affect them or worry about possibly affecting them in the future) causing trouble for this process to come to fruition.</p>
<p>the possibility of seeing the campus when I come to for football games.</p>	<p>stadium will not be built on campus.</p>
<p>nothing regarding the proposal at the moment.</p>	<p>...quality of life issues, including traffic, parking, noise, etc., for those homeowners/residents who will be impacted by the stadium will be overlooked or diminished in favor of off-setting decreased funding from the state (increased nonresident students, \$\$\$\$) and at the expense of perceived increased revenues from surrounding businesses (also \$\$\$\$). In short, money will trump quality of life.</p>
<p>Nothing, I really don't want the stadium on campus</p>	<p>More construction on campus Where are you going to put it? Don't say intramural fields Parking? We don't have enough as it is Traffic, will be OBSCENE The cost</p>
<p>having an on campus stadium. i was here when hughes was built and thought it was ridiculous.. in my family we have 5 degrees from csu and all believe in having seeing the university be successful. the enthusiasm an of having football as well as other activities in town would me unbelievable.</p>	<p>the naysayers will out shout supporters much like they always do.</p>
<p>Having a winning football team and a full stadium.</p>	<p>A new stadium would cost too much and too much emphases will be placed on it and not the team.</p>
<p>1. The opportunity to create an impressive, functional multiple facility that will lead to so many opportunities for students that are not possible at the remote old stadium.</p> <p>2. The opportunity to be able to reflect a national intention to lead CSU athletics into more options for conference memberships and improved competitive competition.</p> <p>3. The likely positive culture change that will accompany the new location for both student and visitor.</p> <p>4. The opportunity to realize a "new look" stadium with green/gold highlights, digital ribbon boards, and an open westerly view of the "A" that should be enhanced with better paint scheme and lights. No other stadium has quite that view.</p>	<p>1. A project failure could lead to a less positive view of football and outlook that might resign fans to CSU becoming an "also ran" in sports. There needs to be a "positive plan" in place to avoid such a situation. Success is the only real positive outcome, but caution is warranted.</p>

5. The opportunity to attend a commencement for all students in a beautiful setting that will be impressive and memorable.	
The very notion of an on-campus stadium! It's LONG overdue...	Parking will be a problem.
the energy and attitude change that Dr. Frank and Jack Graham have injected into what was a moribund CSU Athletic Department. Six months ago anybody seriously mentioning booster-funded salaries or an on-campus stadium would've drawn howls of laughter. I have a long-held belief that CSU has tried to play Division I athletics on the cheap. I welcome not only the chance for CSU to have an on-campus stadium, but also the impassioned, logical dialog from parties on both sides of the issue.	those who support the stadium won't take an active role in making sure their voices are heard. The folks opposed to the stadium could be in the minority, yet because they have more to lose they are considerably more organized and motivated than the stadium supporters. I'm also concerned that if we don't put our best foot forward, CSU's Athletic Department will become an afterthought once FBS conference realignment is complete.
Getting an on-campus stadium and what it means for CSU fb. Can't wait for the first game!!	Ludites in Fort Collins can derail the project.
<p>The prospect of a new stadium and the advantages that it can bring for the university, its alumni, and the broader community of Fort Collins. I don't see the distinction between supporting academics and supporting athletics, which so many people cite as their main objection to building the new stadium. After all, so many of the new constructions projects, such as the academic village that have transformed our campus, benefit the general student body as well as the athletes came from our investment in athletics, the stadium would be the same. Simply put, if CSU wants to remain relevant with respect to college athletics, then this project must go forward to completion. The overall goal must be to seek entrance into an AQ conference, which will bring CSU millions in revenue from the BCS contracts as well as the TV contracts, the new stadium is the first crucial step to realizing this goal. The money generated by our entrance into an AQ conference would go to improving academic facilities and positively impacting the educational experience of students at CSU.</p> <p>Athletics is a major recruiting tool for CSU, I know that when I chose CSU in 2000, the success of Sonny Lubick and the football program were a major part of the reason why I came to Fort Collins, I wanted to be part of the fun and the new winning tradition at Colorado State. A new stadium, and the increased recognition of our football team that will come with it, will help CSU entice students from Colorado, and most importantly from out-of-state, which will help CSU make up some of that lost funding that have come as a result of budget cuts.</p> <p>A new stadium will also impact the alumni, as they will be more excited about their affiliation with CSU, and they will want to come back to Fort Collins to see a game and reengage with the community. I came back to the Air Force game last year, and the unfortunate location of Hughes Stadium caused me to miss out on the one thing that I wanted to do, which was get to see the campus and look at all the change happening. I never got to see my campus, and consequently never got to feel like I was back home, which</p>	<p>People that have a natural aversion to college athletics in any form are trying to drive this process, they don't understand or care about the long-term benefit to the university. Short-sighted thinking can't be given sway here, because if we don't do anything, nothing will change and CSU will continue to struggle with losing revenue and the reputation of the university will suffer.</p>

is the experience that alumni want when they come back. With a new stadium, the game day experience will change so much for the students, the alumni, and the town, it will benefit all.

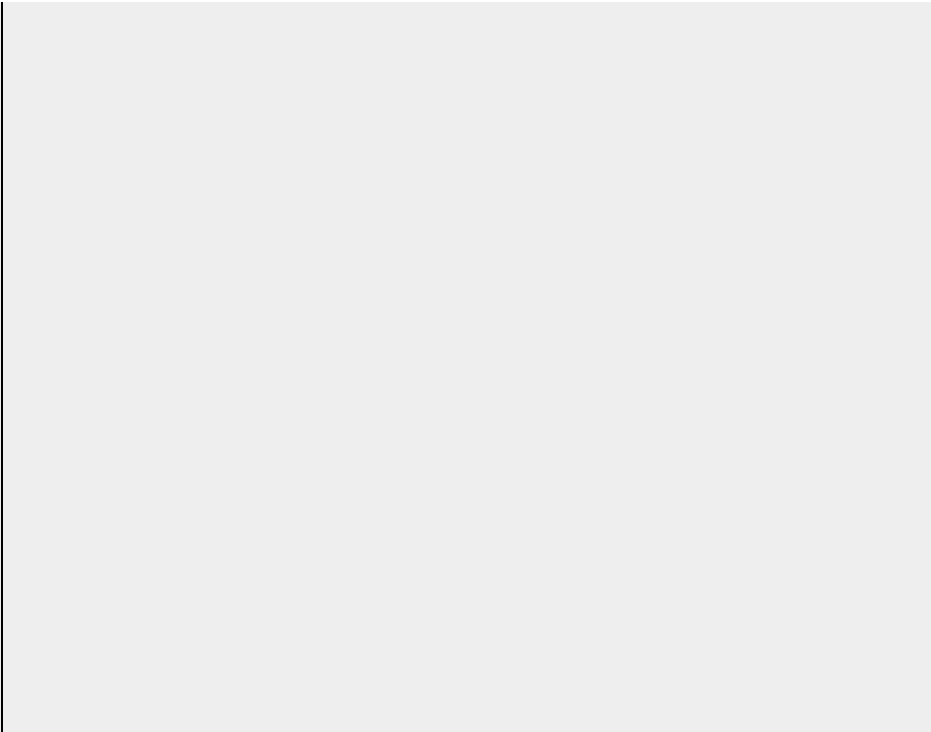
I have seen first-hand how important investing in athletics can be to the reputation and success of a university. After completing my degree at CSU, I attended graduate school at George Mason University in Fairfax, VA. Why does that name ring a bell? Because they went to the final four in 2006. Before that run, GMU was simply a commuter school in the DC that was overshadowed by the bigger schools in DC like Georgetown and George Washington, but following the final four run, applications to GMU quadrupled, they built new academic buildings, new dorms, hired revered instructors, and changed the overall opinion of the university. As an alum of GMU, I still get asked about that final four run when I am applying for a job, it has positively impacted my standing among employers because they know GMU. CSU absolutely must make this investment in athletics, which will excite the alumni and hopefully bringing back that winning tradition that will benefit every alumnus we have.

Lastly, we can't forget that the town of Fort Collins will ultimately benefit from the construction of the new stadium. Sure, there will be logistical issues that need to be worked out, but with increased engagement with alumni, better attendance, more excitement, comes more money for Fort Collins small businesses. Overall it's an obvious win-win situation.

I have been coming to CSU football games since I was a freshman in 1991. Have only missed a handful of games over that span. I LOVE CSU football. I also have enjoyed Hughes Stadium. That being said, the thought of an on-campus stadium is a dream come true. We drive up with friends and/or family every home game from Parker.....which is 1.5 hours away from the stadium. We go directly to the stadium parking lot to tailgate....spend all of our time pregame and post-game tailgating there.....and then drive home. We never visit campus.

Putting a stadium on campus will us to feel more connected to the university. It will also VASTLY improve the gameday atmosphere, which I'm most excited about. Tailgating at Hughes is spread out, and lacks a great tailgating atmosphere. It may be convenient because it is spacious, but it does not have a special feel. Tailgating on and around campus before games, will be incredible. Students will flood the campus from dorms and their nearby homes....and it will be a celebration each and every home football game.

I'm also excited about the prospect of tailgating near the Lagoon....or the Oval....or the Monfort Quadrangle. All great places at CSU that would be



I have no concerns, except that if we do this, it MUST be in the heart of campus. It cannot goon the land south of the Hilton. It would defeat the purpose of building a stadium on campus. Put it where students can walk to the stadium.....put it where people see it every day. I also believe in building it closer to the east side of campus (rather than next to Moby). This allows easier walking to Old Town, and tailgating in prime areas like the Lagoon, Oval, and Monfort Quadrangle. Of course, the IM fields will also be widely used for tailgating.

<p>particularly showcased on game days.</p> <p>Most of all, I'm excited about the symbol and statement this makes for CSU. When CSU built its indoor football facility a couple years ago, it gave us credibility and a feel that we were becoming more on par with "big time" college football programs. Building a crown jewel football stadium on our campus would have an infinitely bigger effect. I envision an alumni center, an alumni hall of fame, and a sports hall of fame all built into this stadium and it becoming a place to visit year round, not just for six football games each year. I couldn't be more excited about this project AND IT MUST GET DONE!</p>	
<p>very little</p>	<p>CSU's campus is not well-situated to host a stadium this large, and it will create a public safety issue. The focus on athletics rather than academics is disappointing. Students should be there to learn, not for entertainment. CSU just renovated Hughes, so this seems completely unnecessary.</p>
<p>The potential to increase university-wide support; heightened passion and cohesiveness between the university and community highlighted on fall Saturdays as experienced by the unsurpassed game-day atmosphere of an on-campus stadium.</p> <p>In the same visit, hopeful CSU students and their parents could tour the campus and experience the unbridled pride of our Green and Gold faithful. Also, a conveniently located on-campus venue could be constructed so as to host concerts, games other than football and community events -- further enhancing the facility's value.</p> <p>A stadium makes a bold statement that firmly displays our beliefs for the future and, at last, appropriately would reflect the pride and prestige of Colorado State.</p>	<p>Funding will become an issue (either not finding enough to begin at all or having to settle for an inferior stadium).</p> <p>Opponents of the stadium are likely not current supporters of Colorado State athletics - or university as a whole - but instead are opposed to change in its entirety within Fort Collins. If true, their voices should be heard to the extent they can help refine the construction process, the stadium's placement or improve the facility so that it reflects the community more broadly. Beyond that, the voices of non-supporters and those who prefer CSU stand idly as the rest of the university systems adopt football as an economic engine should not be weighed. They neither understand the underlying need nor appreciate the potential of an on-campus stadium.</p>
<p>The potential for having successful academics that can help CSU in this time where government funding is at an all time low. Having this vision for success in both academics and athletics is huge. I'm also looking forward to being able to become more involved with the University, as since leaving the state of Colorado, I have not been as involved as I would like.</p>	<p>A huge opportunity will not be taken advantage of. I'm also concerned about how the funding will be obtained and that there won't be enough donations to help fund this.</p>
<p>the prospects of an on-campus stadium. I believe this will encourage current students and faculty to attend more games, while still being a viable option for alum and other fans to attend games.</p>	<p>parking and logistics will be difficult. Pre-game tailgating is a big benefit that the parking lots at Hughes Stadium offers, and a lack of parking could hinder this. Additionally, an on-campus stadium could detract from the beauty and openness CSU's campus currently offers. If the stadium were to be placed where the intramural fields currently are (which is where one possibility that I've heard is), you won't have the great view from the Lory Student Center facing west towards the west (you can see the 'A' on the mountain). You would also have to find another convenient location for the intramural fields.</p>
<p>The prospect of an on-campus stadium. I love college fball but Hughes is</p>	<p>If this isn't completed then CSU sports will fall into a free-fall towards</p>

<p>such an ugly stadium that I can never make the trek more than once a year. I haven't walked around campus since I graduated in 06. I'm excited about the idea of tailgating on campus, walking around my old buildings, etc. Hughes has none of that. I went to the Boise game to which my Boise friend first said "I expected better from CSU." After the game it was too much of a pain getting out that we decided to grab food in Centerra instead. This stadium would be a game changer and I'd likey get season tickets or at least one of those 3/4 packs.</p>	<p>irrelevance</p>
<p>The possibility of going to football games in a new on campus stadium and the benefits a new stadium can bring to the football program and the entire university.</p>	<p>Competing football programs and universities will continue to make investments in their programs and leave us behind.</p>
<p>The concept of constructing a new football stadium either on or in direct proximity of the main campus! The new stadium will add such excitement to the campus area, and provide a fresh, refreshing and vibrant look to the campus in general -- not just on game days!</p>	<p>The stadium won't be ready for the 2013 season opener!</p>
<p>Jack Graham is a true visionary. This project has been needed for many years. As a 1968 graduate of CSU and Fort Collins resident since that time I have grown increasingly cynical about the CSU administration's acceptance of substandard performance in athletics. I have and will, as an alumni, refuse to support this attitude and will offer no support either financial or otherwise until this attitude changes. After a person graduates from an institution of higher learning their only real connection to that institution is through their athletic programs. Success creates a genuine sense of pride and stimulates a desire to contribute both monitarily and in other ways as well. Success on the field is associated with excellence in academics as well. The general viewing public forms their opinions about the quality of an institution based on, among other things, performance in athletics.</p>	<p>If Jack Graham's and President Tony Frank's vision is derailed that (1) Mr. Graham will resign, (2) Coach McElwain will move on, (3) our football program will be scrapped and probably should be and (4) President Frank will be fired or resign. This effort simply cannot fail because CSU is at a crossroads with the current rapid fire changes in collegiate athletics. Let's chose excellence in all aspects of our university.</p>
<p>The potential to create a more lucrative revenue stream from football. To increase student, alumni, and community attendance. To increase state and national wide exposure. To get out of the Mountain West conference and into a more stable conference with a better TV contract. To invigorate alumni involvement and contributions. To have home football games to be a community event for Fort Collins, where the local business see increased business and Fort Collins befits from increased tax revenue. To build a stadium meeting modern standards for luxury boxes, retail space and disability access. To build a multi-purpose complex (football, track, lacrosse, soccer, and music concerts, speakers). To build a stadium that is as beautiful as Folsom field in Boulder is. To create the "college football experience", for ourselves and future generations, that other major University's have; that we lack.</p>	<p>A small but vocal minority, with little or no stake in the matter will dominate this discussion in the local media. I am also concerned that a new stadium will be built "on the cheap" and not be visually appealing to the community or to the television viewer watching from home.</p>
<p>The possibility of a new On-Campus Stadium</p>	<p>That the stadium would take away the open space by the rec center and practice football field</p>

<p>The new coach and what he may be able to do with the program.</p>	<p>A huge amount of money will be wasted on a new stadium, and the old stadium will be abandoned.</p> <p>That a utopian vision of a stadium as a centerpiece of campus is being presented, when really it will be a big, empty structure dominating campus 99% of the time, and that it will replace the vibrant green space and athletic fields that really are a center and gathering place for campus.</p>
<p>...the possibility of an on campus stadium. A multi-use facility would be a huge addition to the university and community. It would put CSU in the conference re-alignment conversation and send a clear message about our expectations for success. I believe the stadium project would bring much-needed construction jobs to the area and provide an excellent learning opportunity for several university departments (Construction Management, Engineering, Business, and Occupational Therapy). A thoughtful design would result in the centerpiece of our campus and serve to attract students, along with future sources of funding for university enhancement and expansion.</p>	<p>...those who oppose this project have no real stake in the success of the university or athletics. If we fail to seize this opportunity, we will regret our failure to act. While I expect there will be some impact to the city (e.g. widening of Prospect Road) infrastructure improvements are needed regardless of an on-campus stadium.</p>
<p>The future of Fort Collins. Especially vibrant weekends downtown when CSU football games are played in the fall at an on-campus stadium.</p>	<p>The amount of mis-information spouted by NIMBY opponents of the project will derail it.</p>
<p>The prospect for additional revenue to the University and the Fort Collins business community that will result from the construction of an on campus stadium. The stadium will also be symbolic of the growth and national prominence of the University, more so than any college or research program. If CSU ever wants to move beyond its parochial reputation and take a step forward towards true national prominence, this is its best opportunity.</p>	<p>A relatively small group of vocal opponents of the stadium will prevent CSU from realizing its potential. College athletics is an integral part of college life and a strong athletic program will lead to increased applications, increased out-of-state student applications, increased giving following graduation, increased revenue for the University. I am worried that the University may be hesitant to move forward because of NIMBYism and a misguided belief that funds spent on the stadium somehow detract from University donations or funding. I hope that won't be the case.</p>
<p>All of the aspects of an on campus stadium. The pros far outweigh any negatives.</p>	<p>It won't get done</p>
<p>The ability of an on campus stadium to positively effect campus, alumni, and potential students. I believe an on campus stadium will create traditions and re-energize the alumni.</p>	<p>The powers that be will bend to pressure from the vocal minority, and compromise too much on their vision of building a cornerstone piece of campus.</p>
<p>If you look back at the tragic history that is CSU athletics from the 1920's to the 1980s, you would find large swaths of time where the administration (specifically the president) was at odds with the athletic department if not overtly trying to kill it off (as too costly). While it is easy to look back and see the mistakes today, at the time these decisions were perhaps logical. However, the ultimate cost to our university has been much greater as a result of our lack of vision in the past. I am excited to see a business minded AD and President working together at this moment of crisis to try to position our cherished institution to remain a viable customer in a multi-billion dollar institution.</p>	<p>We may be too little and too late to catch this fast moving train. I firmly believe the BCS is an illegal and unethical cartel which is blatantly thumbing its nose to the department of justice and to every fan interested in fair sports in college football. Our school and our conference has suffered dearly as a result of being willfully excluded from it. I understand that building a beautiful on campus stadium will not turn the tide of this monopoly, but I hold hope that under the weight of popular demand nationally, the BCS will collapse (and those involved ideally burn in hell) and in the post BCS world schools who have invested in athletics will be welcome to compete and welcome to profit from those investments. It feels like deja vu to 1963 all over again. This time, I hope we get it right. We have a fantastic school and a fantastic community - it is time to show the world who we are and</p>

	what we can do together.
the opportunity to come back, as an alum and season ticket holder, to visit campus during the football season. I have been a season ticket holder for over a decade and rarely get to the campus anymore. Having a stadium on campus would make our (my wife and I are both alums) connection to the University closer.	CSU is being left behind with conference re-alignment and that without a commitment to athletics, CSU will be relegated to D1-AA status.
The overall positive impact that a first rate athletic program on the university. It is foolish to deny that there is no connection between the two. An on campus stadium would help showcase the university and all of the great things CSU has to offer. Gameday on campus would take on a whole new meaning.	there are those out there that do not see the big picture. An isolationist attitude could tube the whole project. People that simply focus on traffic issues or that the money could be used for academics are not allowing themselves to see the overall benefit for the community.
the bold new era of CSU athletics and the vision of our current leadership.	the history of accepting mediocrity at CSU, and the stadium nay-sayer minority, along with the difficulty of working with the city of Fort Collins, sidetracks and ultimately squashes the idea.
A pro-active, dynamic, anticipation of needs approach to CSU the university, the athletics and the campus and how the whole package fits into the future vision to place the overall university, which includes academics/athletics/research, at a high level.	CSU will fall back into the comfortable, stodgy, stay the course, reserved mentality which the university clung to for many years; an accountants approach (which isn't a knock against accountants). The idea of a bare minimum approach and outlay rather than an aggressive stance to take advantage of current conditions. i.e. why use donated money for a Sony or Mitsubishi scoreboard for Hughes when a knockoff will do; ok we'll put in a smoke machine for the team entrance but we'll just cobble together some PVC pipe and a fog machine, and if it only works half the time and the other half of the time it spews less smoke than a bbq, so what, it was cheap.
the potential the on campus stadium has to tie the CSU community together. The potential it holds to better serve CSU students.	this is turning into a debate about academics versus athletics rather than one about how to further strengthen the true symbiotic relationship that exists between academics and athletics.
The aspect of having an on campus stadium to visit on a regular basis. The connection to campus is of utter importance. I have visited over 20 major college football programs and all of their stadiums are located on campus.	Certain citizens in Fort Collins will have enough influence to prevent this project from happening. If it does- Fort Collins becomes the equivalent of Boulder in my opinion and really doesn't deserve my attention anymore.
The potential that a new stadium has to further both the athletic and academic potential of a great university.	CSU is at a crossroads with regards to their athletic and football programs. The many changes that are occurring in the conferences and the BCS structure have resulted in CSU being left behind. If appropriate steps are not taken soon to change the image and results of the sports programs CSU will be relegated to less than Division 1 status. Tony Frank is exactly correct in that a first-rate university must also have a first-rate athletic program.
finally being able to watch a football game on campus. This will allow fans and alums the opportunity to become more engaged and connected with the university. It will create a sense of pride and can give CSU a real home field advantage. Once the Mason Street Corridor project is up and running, it will be convenient to take one of the MAX Mason Street Corridor buses to Old Town after the game for a bite to eat.	a lot of negative publicity coming from the vocal minority may derail this project. I am convinced an on campus stadium will do wonders for the city's economy based on it's location alone. Fans will potentially be spending more money at nearby restaurants and business that they otherwise wouldn't be with games being held at Hughes Stadium. The business community really needs to get on board and embrace this project!
The potential for energy and shared community-university enthusiasm for	The issue of the stadium will be so devisive that even if a new stadium is

CSU.	built, is fabulous and makes all our dreams come true, that some members of the community will continue to try to foil CSU's every attempt at excellence, and be an energy-draining faction in the years to come.
<p>The opportunity to bring my son's to something new and exciting on the campus of CSU, something that I never imagined I would see become a reality. Recently I have talked to my 4 year old about bringing him back to Fort Collins (we live in Seattle) to experience a game at Hughes – but the thought of down the road walking him into a New Stadium on Campus, where we could show up early – walk through campus show him the buildings/dorm/etc would make for quite an amazing day.</p> <p>As a 2000 graduate, I started a 10 year run as a Football season ticket holder (and most of those years as a Ram Club Member), even after moving to Seattle, WA area in 2003. Unfortunately with the decline in production on the field, lack of vision for the program and a unplanned career change - in 2011 I stopped financially supporting.</p> <p>With the new leadership direction, enthusiasm, and vision to take CSU Athletics to a level we've never been before really has me excited.</p>	<p>With the drastic changes in the landscape of college athletics, one of my biggest fears is that we just stay status quo – and ultimately in under 10 years we'll be dealt the cold truth of reality that our athletic programs will be pushed downward into FCS (formerly Div I-AA). We have a very small window to make this type bold move, and an new on-campus stadium is one major step to say we are committed to growing and improving...if we don't act immediately the opportunity will slip through our fingers.</p>
the possibility of the on campus stadium. We have an opportunity to create a better environment for the fans, and have an architectural enhancement to the campus.	if we do not build a new stadium that CSU football will be left behind. I am concerned about the pre-game tailgating will suffer with a new stadium.
The prospect of uniting CSU alumni and fans with campus. Of engendering a sense of pride in our university and city. Of bringing more alumni back into the fold as contributors to the growth and improvement of our alma mater. Of making a true effort to be first-class in everything we do and ridding ourselves of a mentality of mediocrity.	<p>CSU will allow a vocal minority to hinder or prevent the stadium from being built, or at least significantly stall the progress of construction.</p> <p>I also think that any location south of Lake St. would be less than optimal compared to other potential locations.</p>
	Game day traffic will create gridlock, land better used for everyday activities will be squandered for this, student fees, already too high, will be used.
the new coaching staff/athletic director and the excitement they are generating with new recruits - always good to have "new blood", goals & direction. Am a Rams football, basketball & volleyball fan... Men's and women's basketball has been awesome to watch this year!	I used to live off Drake and Overland Trail and literally timed my weekend trips out of my neighborhood around the game traffic during home game weekends. Can't imagine the traffic tie-ups in town on game days... and the noise from the stadium in neighboring areas...
Forward thinking leaders. New stadium + more fans + more exposure for CSU. Winning teams.	There is not enough area for parking near the proposed stadium sites.
Attending games on campus. Possibility of an upgrade of conference, becoming one of the "haves".	Getting the funding. I hope it can be done.
the idea of bringing the College community together. Students will be glad to have a shorter commute to the games.	we will have more problems on campus as we already struggle. We are struggling and fighting for parking spaces with these passes and regulations. Especially with parking lots being demolished almost every year.
the possibility of being on campus because of a football game and the excitement it will draw to the campus. I miss seeing the campus when I go to straight to Hughes and then try to figure out the best way around the city	complainers will dictate the direction the school will go and there will not be progress on a new campus. I have been going to games for 21 years now and have a feeling those clowns that are belly achin' are doing it just

instead of being in the city.	because.
The opportunity to have the student body finally able to realize the potential of Colorado State athletics. As a student at CSU it is hard to listen to many of my fellow students lose interest in sports, many of which have not had the chance to even go to a game. The simple fact that the campus will automatically be involved in every home game, the band playing through the quad, the roar of the crowd filling the dorms, and the tailgating of the students and alumni together in the middle of campus. That is more than enough to create excitement and when potential recruits see that excitement Colorado State will realize it's potential.	the people with the ability to bring this dream to fruition will be criticised by those that are more concerned with traffic or an on campus garden rather than the success of CSU
CSU football moving forward! As a CSU Alum I have wanted a Stadium on Campus since my days at CSU. When I was a student I didn't go to that many games, because it ment bumming a ride from someone, and hoping that person would be able to give me a ride back. A new Stadium would invigorate a stagnant program that has been left behind by schools such as BYU, San Diego State, and Air Force.	That the soap box people who think Hughes is fine will get there wish.
I am NOT excited. The idea to build a new stadium is insane. I AM excited to graduate with my PhD in the fall and turn my back on this institution, after 12.5 years of study.	Building a new stadium will in no way enhance academics. It will necessarily use land which is currently used for learning and service.
getting this thing built ASAP	I promise that if a new stadium is constructed, I will never donate to CSU.
	NONE
the plans for a new stadium to be canceled.	We don't have the support for organized athletics to fill a new stadium. If constructed in some of the locations i have herd proposed parking will be a problem as well as game day traffic. Citizens of this town will be done a disservice because on game day public streets will be flooded with traffic and car from those who do not want to pay for parking. In Colorado a strong college football culture does not exist. In other parts of the county people start tailgating for football games 5 days before the games actually occur. To my knowledge this dedication does not exist. Why don't we invest in our sports that actually compete like women volleyball?
Having a gam day experience in the Heart of campus and then taking my wife and daughter to dinner in Old Town	I hope we build it big enough to accommodate all the fans that will show up once it is built
	I applaud CPD's involvement. But when will we start seeing feedback? Answers to our questions/concerns? You're giving us a "safe" way to express ourselves, but it is very one-sided. You analyze our input.... so what? We're not asking to be part of an "exercise", we're asking that our very real concerns be addressed in the decision making process.

What additional information would you need to decide about this issue?	What is the most important thing you want the advisory committee to understand about your view of this issue?	What questions/concerns/suggestions do you have for the public engagement process?	Additional questions or comments.
None	<p>Opens forums. Town meetings. So that all opinions and insights can be shared.</p> <p>Done correctly and with all the appropriate due diligence, we can achieve "A Bold New Era"...with no regrets!</p>		
<p>None. I am 100% behind the new stadium and I will donate money to buy a brick to help fund the stadium. The only thing that will concern me in the future is how season tickets will be distributed. I like my location and who we sit by. How will all that change?</p>	<p>I want the committee to not sit and twiddle their thumbs. I want them to dream big and get this done. It will be a great thing for Colorado State University and the Fort Collins community.</p>	<p>I really don't care about the public engagement process. It is privately donated money and we can do with it what we want. I just want to be informed on the conceptual design, location, and construction timeline.</p>	<p>All I have to say is GO RAMS!!!</p>
			<p>Take Jack Graham off of the Advisory Committee. This is a bad idea letting him be a part of the decision making process. The Hughes Stadium is a great venue - if more activities need to take place there, then 'make it so'. I hope there will be some legal reason that the stadium cannot be built on campus because the idea is ludicrous.</p>
<p>- Size of the stadium (50k is too big initially). 40k is sufficient to start and still big enough to be considered for inclusion in a BCS conference, if that is the direction the program is looking to go. We only have 25k total students on campus, and we do not fill our current 32k stadium, so 50k seems way too large. A huge, empty stadium would be a failure in my</p>	<p>I do support an on-campus stadium but the logistics of game day (i.e. parking, tailgating, traffic in & out) are the topics that I feel need to be addressed first.</p>		

<p>opinion.</p> <p>- Location of the stadium and subsequent parking / tailgating areas.</p>			
<p>I would like to know what studies have been done to determine the incremental:</p> <p>a) the Incremental Costs of constructing, maintaining, utilizing a NOCS vs a EUH?</p> <p>b) the volume increase of how many more Students/Alums/fans would attend games at a NOCS vs a EUH, assuming the Football team has the same record at each facility (and the same marketing budgets for both)? I'd like to see that monetized.</p> <p>c) the incremental benefits to the CSU Football team that derive from a NOCS vs EUH?</p> <p>c) the same incremental monetization for "donations" to CSU non-sports & sports under each case.</p> <p>d) creative ways to accomplish the same things in Graham's & Franks vision, without having to shoe-horn a NOCS into CSU's 400 acre campus.</p>	<p>the choice is between an Expanded Upgraded Hughes (EUH) w/ 60k seats VS a New On Campus Stadium (NOCS) w/ 50k seats... and the INCREMENTAL costs, opportunity costs, revenues and non-tangible benefits that CSU will incur or derive from each Option.</p> <p>Thus far it has been a comparison between the current Hughes w/ VS a NOCS, which is totally faulty in logic & rational.</p> <p>And for Graham/Frank to say that there's ZERO way CSU could raise the \$50M for the EUH... that's playing Favorites or plainly erroneous. Ms Stryker is proof of that fallacy.</p>		<p>Has anybody considered the opportunity for a CSU that becomes very successful in Sports, to invest in and build a Baseball Stadium next to Hughes Field. One that would share the parking facilities? How about investing in other Sports facilities at Hughes area?</p>
<p>I think CSU can do whatever it wants but I wish the academic trend was not headed so downward at the same time as this stadium idea, and I wish there was a football team that merited a stadium. There is nothing wrong with a mediocre team if it gives people the chance to play and learn and watch. Always striving for the top of the heap, is an atheletic dept paradigm. The city of</p>	<p>My view is that unlike football, this is not a win-lose situation. There is plenty of opportunity to have a win-win, if the Athletic Dept and their biased way of thinking is NOT in charge of this process.</p>	<p>I am a 20 yr veteran of a federal agency renowned for it's perpetual work with NEPA, the National Environmental Policy Act. I think that a NEPA-like process of preparing a proposed action, soliciting specific comments, preparing alternatives to address concerns, and then fairly and objectively evaluating those alternatives would be the best possible procedure CSU could use</p>	<p>Will CSU utilize a formal evaluator of alternatives or other NEPA like process?</p> <p>Will CSU hire an outside independent contractor to prepare the public scoping report, evaluate the alternatives, and prepare it for formal decision?</p>

<p>Fort Collins may or may not be using the same paradigm as it has planned out the city for many many years.</p>		<p>for this the most controversial issue in some 40 years. As any Federal bureaucrat will advise you, having a clean forthright evaluation process is worth the time and effort.</p> <p>I think that until and unless CSU utilizes an alternative evaluation process similar to NEPA, and hires an outside contractor to prepare the analysis for decision makers, this will not go over well.</p>	
<p>My decision has been made - this needs to be built. What I would appreciate receiving is information on the various location options under consideration, when available, including the pros and cons of each.</p>	<p>The overriding importance of this opportunity. This is not a question of "should we build," this is a question of "where will we build" if we want to move CSU forward in all areas. The university leaders fumbled this issue when Hughes Stadium was built off-campus. That cannot happen again. It's time to catch up with our peer institutions - Iowa State, Oklahoma State, Kansas State, Texas A&M, Oregon State, Washington State, etc. - and take our rightful place both athletically and academically.</p>	<p>One of my primary concerns is the lack of voice or involvement thus far from the Fort Collins business community. Another is the lack of visible support by the City of Fort Collins. The willingness of both groups to sit quietly by during the debate, but reap the benefits of a new stadium when it comes to fruition, is aggravating at best. This should be a unified effort by the university, city and business community. The benefits to all three are enormous. They need to be engaged.</p>	<p>Thank you for finally having the vision and willingness to get this done. There should be no option here but success.</p>
<p>My mind is made up. I want the new stadium on campus.</p>	<p>I want the stadium to be a showplace for our teams, our students, our fans, and our alumni.</p>	<p>None.</p>	<p>None</p>
	<p>I think building an on-campus stadium will be a huge boost to the excitement of game day for students, alumni, other fans, and the Fort Collins community as a whole.</p>		
<p>What is going to become of Hughes stadium? Would City of Fort Collins be able to use the stadium? Conference during the summer, would they be allowed to use the new stadium?</p>	<p>I could see a new stadium if CSU football was rank and always in bowl games, but why do we really need a stadium? If will build it they will win more?</p>	<p>Even if this stadium is built on campus traffic and parking is always going to be a problem. What are some answer to the parking and traffic problems? Look at have events, concerts and</p>	<p>Jack Graham may push for new stadium but the road if the football is still the same and problems mount, Is he still going to be committed or leave us (CSU community) holding the bag?</p>

<p>How much will tickets cost and food in this new stadium? Will student have more tuition add to there cost?</p>		<p>even the 4th of July to use the stadium, not just limited to the football team.</p>	
<p>Where is the money coming from and why is it necessary to use it for a stadium on campus?</p>	<p>I am not just an alumni, I am a parent of 2 students at CSU that see the tuition rates rise while they are discussing frivolous additions to the school.</p>	<p>See above.</p>	
<p>How they intend to deal with the maintenance, traffic, public issues, unforeseen costs, and what will happen to Hughes.</p>	<p>That an on campus stadium will not bring them what they desire. A winning football team can play anywhere.</p>	<p>Why did they remodel Hughes and repair it after the wind storm if they intend to build an on campus stadium? How do they intend to deal with "tailgating"? Why do they think they deserve a new stadium on campus?</p>	<p>This stadium will cost the people of Fort Collins in some way. I'd like to know how much. Fort Collins wasn't built to serve CSU. There so far has been no transparency in this process and we've just been informed it will happen. Why ask our opinion if you're just going to shove it down our throats?</p>
	<p>STOP "where and how discussion". START with feasibility.</p> <p>I just reviewed Mr. Graham's presentation. He did not take a business-like approach, laying out pros and cons - that is his responsibility as a AD, or any kind of manager. He took the approach of a salesperson, or, more accurately, a cheerleader.</p> <p>Below is a link to an article that describes what has happened at Rutgers since they expanded their stadium 2-3 years ago. As predicted, admissions applications are up, but so are subsidies from student fees and general university funds to a rapidly growing athletic department budget. The university's president was not able to keep his promise of not taking additional student and university funding. PLEASE READ THE</p>		

ARTICLE!!!

http://www.nj.com/news/index.ssf/2011/12/despite_success_on_the_field_b.html

At CSU, student fees and direct and indirect institutional support already provide 50% of the athletic department revenues (you can find the CSU data here):

http://content.usatoday.com/_common/_fragments/_modal/ncaa/ncaa-modal-search.htm).

How much will the Athletic Department budget increase due to the salaries of the new coaching staff, training budget, and other increased expenses in pursuit of a difficult-to-achieve national football ranking?

What about demolition and relocation of existing structures, replacement of dormitories and/or academic departments? Would these expenses be considered part of the project? (I doubt it.) Will "private" donations cover these costs? (I doubt it.) Will "private" donations include transfers from CSURF? I assume it will...and that takes CSURF resources away from its mission.

By the way, CSU's recently signed football recruits ranked, as a "class", #104 out of 125 Division I football programs. CSU has a long way to go to achieve football prominence - and even with a several hundred million dollar "investment", it is FAR from a sure

thing.

If Mr. Graham and Dr. Frank are compelled to spend, why not pour millions on a basketball program (men's or women's) or volleyball or track - prominence in these is not nearly as far-fetched, would not cost nearly as much, and would not have the likely negative impacts on our community that an enormous stadium would.

I attended the CSU/Air Force men's basketball game on Saturday - had to park by Lory. How do you think Prospect, Shields, and Laurel will handle the traffic - foot, bike, and car. THE INFRASTRUCTURE IS NOT IN PLACE.

I notice that none of the Board of Governors voting members lives in the City of Fort Collins. Dr. Frank does not live in Fort Collins. I think you have good intentions, but please remember that thousands of non-students live in mid-town Fort Collins, and are VERY CONCERNED about quality of life impacts.

My family went to bed early on Saturday night, and were awakened by fireworks at 10 pm from CSU (presumably the celebration of the campaign). We live at least a mile away! PLEASE REMEMBER - the University and the City rely on each other. Don't be a bully to the very people who support and work/teach at the University.

			I'm with Jack Graham, let's have it ready to start play in 2014!
None. The whole idea is silly.	That I am representative of many community members that do not support this idea at all. And that we feel that CSU is not being considerate of the city ,or of the people who live in the area around campus.	That CSU doesn't really care about engaging with the public	Please come back down to earth and scrap this pipe dream.
	I hope the committee understands these are tough economical times for so many in Ft Collins. While we want to see a wonderful new tradition for CSU, I hope bit will continue to be affordable for those of us who have been loyal fans through the best of times and the worst of times. Go Rams!		
I am whole heartedly in favor	As conference realignment has taken place and huge TV contracts have been awarded to the haves in college football, I had come to the conclusion that CSU would eventually have to drop down a level in competition to FCS (formerly known as Division 1AA). If we do not build this stadium I still think that's likely. That would be a shame for a University that is listed at 67 out of 697 in research expenditures by the National Sciene Foundation. A new on campus stadium would change the entire dynamic, creating excitement from students and alumni. It will not only allow CSU to remain at the highest level of competition, but it will also allow us to be competitive there. And that will benefit CSU as a whole.	I am concerned that a well-organized group that really does not have CSU's best interests at heart will sway public opinion against this project by spreading inaccurate information.	An on-campus stadium clearly will create some gameday traffic and parking issues. Working with the city to have bussing available seems critical. Also, for businesses to fully benefit from increased gameday exposure, it's important to make transportation convenient between the stadium and downtown.
a sketch and plan - where will it go? can't picture any room there on campus?	Please put in more suites and a club level!	none	good luck!
Nothing really besides maybe	Make sure everyone know that it is	Get this done. It needs to happen.	

some potential site studies and economic studies. But I already know this can only help, especially if it is completely private funds and no raises to student fees or tuition.	privately funded (and what that means by not allowing the money to go to other areas), as well as ensure that fees and tuition won't increase.		
Who/what is being displaced by the various stadium proposals? Can we afford to lose that in order to gain a stadium?	This is a community. The university can be a team player and augment the community, or it can step all over the neighbors. The first choice is better.		
	The support of CSU football with increase exponentially with an on campus stadium. Great for local businesses in the area as well. A win-win situation...		
Total cost and how it will be fully funded. I am very willing to let the experts decide where to build but it must be close to the heart of the campus.	I believe this is a great opportunity for the University as a whole and the Fort Collins community. I encourage open forum and discussion however please sort out the nay slayers and get to the bottom of their objections. I believe their concerns are self-serving and or missing the most important reality that the benefits will far outweigh the negatives for all concerned.	See my comments above.	Perhaps a professional consultant can put things into perspective using actual historical real life examples from other communities and somehow bring credibility pursuant to the over-riding benefits to the university, community, and alumni base of building an on campus stadium.
Where it will be built	Make sure the public never has to pay one cent for operations..	Build it and they might not come	
I need info on how things like Ram Town and the dedicated tailgating areas would be handled to continue making game day a fun experience for my entire family, including my younger children. As it is now, that part of game day is wonderful.	I know why this needs to be done. At a point in the near future, the "haves" and "have nots" will be separated even more than they are now, to the point where I personally believe that the "have nots" will be forced to drop down to the FCS level with less exposure being the end result. I don't want to see that happen. I just want to make sure that it doesn't have an adverse affect on the current life on campus - I want to see this improve that.	I would suggest that any question that begins with the phrase "Wouldn't the money be better spent...", or something like that should be immediately cut off, as those who are opposed to the stadium MUST understand that the money for this is coming from donations that are being made specifically to build a new stadium. Without the new stadium, these donations would NOT be coming in. I would also say that the administration needs to do a better	I wish the opponents of this would do one thing, so that we may actually have a constructive discussion about this. Stop saying the money would be better served for use elsewhere. If the stadium is to be built using funds donated specifically for this cause, then the argument that said money is better spent elsewhere is an invalid argument. Without the stadium, these donations would not be happening. If I choose to support this and donate money to the

		job at making the opponents realize that the athletics department and football in particular is perhaps the greatest marketing tool CSU has at it's disposal. It's not about turning the school into a "football factory" or putting athletics first, it's about marketing the school in a way that people tend to value and pay attention to. Whether that is "right" or "wrong" is irrelevant. It is the way things are right now and CSU needs to take advantage of it.	cause, it is not money I would have donated to any other portion of the university.
To me it's a non-issue just a project that needs to get DONE!	I want them to understand that just within my family we have over 6 CSU degrees and we all agree this would be a boon for the University and for the city! We can't afford to blow this opportunity!	I think this project should be viewed on it's whether it make sense economically. Will it improve CSU, will it improve the athletic program? Will it be a boost to enrollment? Will it be a boost to local downtown business! I believe Yes, is the answer to all those questions. And that's what the public should be concerned about.	
I'm convinced this is a good thing for CSU, Fort Collins and alumni. As long as the process is deliberate, measured and transparent, I'm all for it.	I am an alum who spends time and money in Fort Collins and on campus each year. An improved stadium experience would lead me to visit more often, and I'm convinced more people would be led to do the same.	Don't allow naysayers to have more than their share of influence.	Thank you for soliciting input.
I've decided. I'm for it.		The location and how a stadium would fit into current usage needs to be carefully considered. For example Spring Creek Gardens is near the area that I believe to be under consideration. Also a residential neighborhood may be deeply impacted.	I love that Jack Graham has a vision. I think a man with a vision should have an opportunity to work to realize that vision!
None. It should have been done in 1967. Stadium where the dairy was and the dairy where Hughes	Put the stadium between Lake Street and Newsom Hall and use all the empty commuter student	Do what you are doing now.	

is.	parking during the games and close access to the new parking garage.		
That CSU will invest enough dollars to do it right rather than cheap.	That I believe that the stadium should be built on campus.	How will it get alumni more involved in the process.	What other venues will the stadium be used for. How CSU could maximize use of the new stadium.
<p>...with respect to the Stadium Advisory Committee (SAC), how were they selected? why were they selected? what are their profession (are biases brought in that could influence their objectivity?</p> <p>...were any members selected solely because they are homeowners/residents in the immediate vicinity of campus to bring that perspective. If not, how does the SAC plan to gather the data necessary to bring the issues and concerns of this shareholder group into the discussion.</p>	<p>My wife and I live, willingly, a block from CSU and experience both the pros and cons of living near CSU. We have experience with neighborhood issues associated with basketball and volleyball games, graduations, conferences (CRU), etc. currently held at CSU. Having attended football games for 15 years now, I can say that football is an entirely different animal with the potential impact being considerably greater due to the amount of time consumed by the event (longer games time-wise than other sports, tailgating, more emphasis on alcohol consumption, etc).</p> <p>Nearby residents will be potentially impacted by every event held there, not just football, if it's utilized to the extent anticipated. This makes issues such as parking, noise, traffic, City vs. CSU responsibility all the more important.</p> <p>My experience is that CSU has a tendency to push problems off campus increasing the strain on city resources to deal with. How will the city be brought into the process to deal with, alleviate, work with CSU and homeowners/residents (and we are plenty) to address the very real issues of an on-campus stadium?</p>	<p>...for every decision, claim, assertion you make, publicly state the rationale and data behind it.give numbers.</p> <p>...cite studies and contacts (both within the city and out).</p>	<p>The null hypothesis should be that a stadium is not needed.</p> <p>I'd like to see the SAC website detail the progress of the deliberations and provide all details pertaining to the decisions made, along with their justifications, etc. Not just rely on public hearings.</p>

		Jack Graham should be asked to step down as co-chair of this committee.	
Who is going to pay for it? Where is it going to go? Why do we honestly need another one?	It is not necessary at all!	none	Please do not build it.
obviously location and parking concepts.			
Is \$100M to \$200M in donations possible. Who will be the first donor?	A winning team should be the first priority.	Provide facts and not just dreams and plans.	Have you thought about placing a dome on Hughes stadium?
<p>1. One disadvantage not mentioned: Weather conditions at the present stadium are often challenging. Wind, rain and snow are much more likely than on the CSU campus. The new stadium can also be designed to better adapt to such conditions away from the foothills.</p> <p>About ten years ago, I helped arrange for an AF flyover of B-1 bombers. Our AFA group hosted the AFA cadets and CSU AFROTC cadets for pregame activities, food, drinks and both bands. We had to shovel our way to the assigned staging area, and the flyover was heard but not seen. However, my wife and friends watched the flyover in clear sunny weather across the city.</p>	<p>1. Listen to all inputs but don't be discouraged by the likely, more vocal/visible anti person. This is a natural outcome at most large projects. The minority opinions are fine but often more obvious in the media and "on the scene".</p>	<p>1. As part of the fund raising, provide an opportunity for all to be recognized for a contribution with the engraved brick paver or wall brick in an area that is also a "memorial" to the outstanding fan or athlete in all sports. Leave room for future year contributions. This could be a part of the alumni center/sports recognition area.</p>	<p>1. Can you offer volunteers an opportunity to play a role.</p> <p>2. Establish teams of volunteer hosts (ala Coors Field hosts).</p> <p>3. Wayfinding will be important. Unique CSU sign posts, kiosks, to lead fans to and from the campus with emphasis on the route to and from downtown Ft Collins.</p> <p>4. Work with CDOT or others to post informational signs (hi tech) along I-25/287 that *identify CSU as being in Ft Collins * identify main routes to and from CSU campus * line the main routes with smaller CSU logo type signs along these routes.</p> <p>Streets/sidewalks/trails could use some form of campus direction/identificaton.</p> <p>5. Consider a unique promotion ala Tall pole with green/gold/white lights that can be seen for miles located in the center of the campus; maybe a promotional large hot air CSU balloon to be tethered near Moby or the stadium when major sporting events are ongoing.</p> <p>Sorry.....but these and many more such ideas may be premature at this time.</p>

			For more input contact: airforceed@comcast.net
I'd like to see proposed plans for parking deck(s).	Just make sure the stadium well-planned, architecturally attractive and congruent with the campus and environment; that the stadium ENHANCES the on-campus experience; and that parking is plentiful and well-planned.	Simply this: emphasize the absolutely POSITIVE economic impact on Ft. Collins and the campus that an on-campus stadium will certainly afford....from the construction dollars all the way through to game days in the future. This can be HUGE for the Fort and the alma mater!!!!	When's it gonna be completed???
None. My mind is made up. I believe an on-campus stadium, combined with actively courting and growing the booster base are two essential ingredients for ensuring that CSU Athletics stay relevant. A healthy, viable, visible athletic department is an essential marketing tool for the university.	I strongly believe that CSU cannot afford to drop the ball in regards to the vision that Dr. Frank and Jack Graham have for our athletic department. If we don't set ourselves apart from the other have-nots and at least try to get a chair at the Big Boys' table, the university will suffer serious financial consequences in the long run.		
None. I'm all in.	If we do not build it, CSU athletics will be in the Big Sky. I would have to think seriously about supporting CSU athletics given that circumstance.	Be respectful of the opposers and counter them with hard facts.	Keep up the good work. This will be a hard fight.
None. Build it.	As I stated above, that everyone is a winner if we make this investment in athletics, the university, the students, the alumni, and the community all stand to benefit from a new stadium.	Invite someone from George Mason University to speak about the changes to the campus and the university following their success.	
I'm sold 100% as is.	Get it done!	I am concerned that 95 percent of the people who oppose this are anti-athletics or who flat-out don't care about CSU at all. If we're listening to concerns, let's listen to the folks who have a vested interest in CSU. At the first stadium meeting, I am	I am the founder and owner of RamNation.com. I feel I have a pretty good pulse on the opinions and consensus of Ram fans. I have not seen a single dissenter on this project make his/her voice heard on our message boards since it was announced. NOT ONE. We have tens of thousands

		<p>sure you probably received many of these hand-written forms from people opposing the stadium. And you probably only got a few from "pro" stadium people. That's because rather than listening to Jack Graham's presentation and argument for why an on-campus stadium is a good idea, these dissenters were busy scribbling their negative comments and insults. The "pro" stadium people were intently listening.</p> <p>Of all the 30 or so anti-stadium people at the first meeting, only one was wearing a CSU shirt. That tells me that the majority of dissenters don't care about CSU. In my opinion that renders their concerns meaningless.</p>	<p>of visitors. Every single person I've talked to has been excited about this. In fact, I can point you to numerous friends who haven't been to football games in years.....who haven't been Ram Club members.....but they have each since vowed to buy tickets in the future, and have already pledged donations to the Ram Club to show their commitment.</p> <p>This project resonates with passionate fans, as well as fans who have been dormant. It couldn't be more clear that this is not only a great idea, but a NECESSARY step to rally the troops and get people excited about CSU again. Combined with a good football program, this could lead to a more prestigious athletic conference, which would result in millions and millions more in revenue each year. It will also help ticket sales, donations, and involvement from alumni and community members. And most of all, it will instill more Ram pride in all of us!</p>
I'm already opposed	CSU should be focusing on academics, not athletics, and it shouldn't be squandering the generous gifts already given to the university in the hopes of joining a larger athletic conference.		
Final placement as well as addressing traffic concerns, though with planning this can be overcome.	That an opportunity to construct such a venue only occurs once every 50-60 years. Colorado State made due with its last stadium construction, building on the cheap and locating the stadium off campus. That economically conservative experiment did not pan out in the long run, and		

	Colorado State's athletic programs have suffered for decades because of a lack of vision. This is a moment in time, perhaps a last chance, to rejoin the nation's upper class in athletics. Whether we like it or not, football helps define a university. And an on-campus facility would allow Colorado State to rejoin the national conversation.		
I'm all for it, so long as tuition and fees do not go up on the students due to this new stadium	Keep dreaming big, and make it happen. This is something CSU and Fort Collins needs for the future.		
Moving the stadium on-campus will force something to move locations, and create a parking frenzy (with what currently there is to offer). I would like to see a plan on where whatever is forced to move will be re-located to as well as what will be done about parking/logistics to and from the stadium.	I believe this should be done, but it should be done right. An on-campus stadium has the potential to bring in more fans to each game as well as increase the attractiveness of the campus, in more ways than one. However, my concerns, as well as other fans and alum, will have to be addressed. There will have to be consideration for parking and logistics (including the possibility to tailgate), and it cannot detract from the beauty and openness of the campus, but perhaps add to it.	Once the top locations/plans have been identified, make them public to get feedback from fans and alum before making the final decision.	
How CSU plans to get the money. How us alum can contribute.	That this needs to be done! The location is prime. If it takes up the intramural fields then there needs to be a fair alternative for the students to make up for them losing their playing fields. I trust JG, TF, & the advisory committee to make the right decision.	If the "Save Hughes" group doesn't actually present any ideas to save Hughes and, instead, just screams about drunken college kids walking around their house, then don't listen to them. They don't represent anything other than maintaining the status quo. I wish CSU would have been under this leadership when I was there. The status quo can't be acceptable any longer. CSU has too much potential to just be average.	Please get this done!
	As a former football player I love Hughes stadium. However, after		

	playing in and attending games in stadiums across the country, I am confident a new stadium, especially on campus, will improve our football program. An improved football program will improve the visibility of the university thereby increasing donations and out of state applications.		
Is the approved site free of other obligations to area residents? Is there enough infrastructure in place to allow the initial site clearance and preparation to go with a minimum of hitches? Will there be enough areas set up near the stadium for gameday parking and traffic flow?	Make sure all the ducks are in a row before rushing to get the construction going!	Allow all parties to be directly affected by the stadium construction full comment, but try to discourage any frivolous lawsuits from those against the stadium!	
None, we must do this!!!!!!	How critical it is to the future of Colorado State University's image and how important an opportunity this is to have a 100-200 million dollar privately funded stimulus program for our community. Everyone will benefit. Rarely do we have such a win/win opportunity; is it possible that we could actually say no to it? We can finally revitalize our alumni and bring them back to our campus. They really don't care to drive up here from Denver to eat dust and watch the Rams play Northern Colorado and Weber State. Bring in Oklahoma and see if we can't fill the stadium.	I have to laugh when I hear people worrying about increased traffic. Anyone living near a nearly 30,000 student university have accepted greatly increased traffic in their neighborhood by making the choice to live there in the first place. Oh, and by the way, most of those houses are occupied by students. Remember, if we add traffic in one area of our community we are, by definition, reducing it in other areas. I haven't heard anyone complaining about this.	When I moved to Fort Collins in 1964 to attend CSU I remember being told that Collins was known to be the little town comprised of wide streets and narrow minds. Please make sure that in 2012 this is not still true!
none	A great, high profile football program is an important part of the college experience and can become a revenue stream for the academic pursuits of campus, not a distraction from it.	I feel that we have given an opportunity to the opponents of the stadium process, to shout down and create dissent when they do not have a financial say in the matter, nor support CSU athletics regardless.	please build it
location of stadium, location of	I believe that a new state of the art	Too many people are getting far	

parking that would be available, cost of building, and how that is to be funded.	stadium that still reflects CSU and Fort Collins (beauty of school/city) would greatly benefit not only the school, but the city as well. Multi-use would also be a benefit for other programs such as track. But the benefit would only happen if the stadium is done in the right way. If the costs mean that it won't be much of an improvement over Hughes, then the sole purpose would be to have it on campus and that alone is not enough of a benefit.	too emotional, as it is far too early to have these responses as we have 0 details. Continue, in good faith, to research all aspects of the new stadium while, for now, ignoring the emotional responses from all sides.	
Specifics on the budget, where the stadium will go, traffic/parking impact, how the land that the stadium takes up will be replaced to allow a place for the current activities that happen there to continue.	There are much more important things to be spending time, money and energy on than a new stadium.		
None - I'm committed to supporting this project.	Our window of opportunity to remain relevant in college athletics is small. Failure to act is not an option in my opinion.	My biggest concern is that a vocal minority will be given more exposure in the media than is deserved.	
	I am behind it 100%		
Location, cost, corporate participation in funding, additional retail development associated with the stadium.	Don't be disuaded by the high-pitched mewlings of the few.	None.	None.
None	Economic impact is enormous and needs to be exploited	I'm concerned those opposed are uninformed.	
Location and design. Will this facility be used on a daily basis? Will businesses like a coffee shop be integrated into the facility.	I believe building an on-campus facility is a necessity, but it must be done correctly. This must be a cornerstone of campus.	I like the idea of tying the facility in with the mason corridor if possible.	Let's get it done! I joined the ram club for the first time due to all of the momentum created by Jack Graham and Tony Frank!
The logistics of traffic and crowd management are real and concerning. We need to find innovative ways to address these issues - I'm certain we can do that, using best practices developed by other schools and communities who have taken on similar building	Look at mistakes of the past and move quickly and decisively toward a solution that will move CSU out of the dust and back onto the train.		I wish you the committee members the best of luck. I appreciate your efforts and your impartial weighing of all considerations. While time is of essences in the moment to act boldly or hold our current course. Only with the passing of many years will it be clear whether

ventures.			<p>your decision was in the best interest of our great school and great community or to it's shared detriment.</p> <p>I urge you to review and learn from our mistakes in the past and I beg you not to repeat those mistakes. Our future depends on you now.</p>
Where can I donate?	That this is very important to the national perception of the University.		
None. I am on board. I am for progress and making CSU a premiere institution that I am proud of.			This is great! Make it happen.
None. Build it!	Colorado State University and the City of Fort Collins would benefit greatly from a world class, on-campus stadium.	I think CSU would be wise to hire a PR firm, or at least step up their current PR activity. There are a lot of benefits to the community that need to be clearly communicated.	Go Rams!
None.	Don't build a new stadium in a bare-bones, minimalist approach, build it with the idea it will be a showcase, a stadium any school would look at and say wow, this is pretty darn nice, I'd play here. Don't make the decision to buy a new than buy a Yugo because you're scared of the cost and payment, and it starts and drives too, when a newer, better model is the best long term purchase.	None.	
			I forgot to add to my previous submittal: chairbacks. All chairbacks except for the student section.
	CSU must excel at all its endeavors, including athletics, and should have facilities and staff equal to or better than their peers.		The Mason Street Corridor provides a great opportunity to mitigate traffic and parking issues that would come with an on campus stadium.

			Hughes stadium is marginally adequate as a college football stadium. Facilities, such as locker rooms and public restrooms, are sub-standard.
None at all, build the dang stadium, it's value is immeasurable.	This project is a key to CSU becoming a more respected university. The components that come with this idea will provide major value to multiple departments across the campus.	There are no concerns- traffic is not an issue, parking might be but people will figure it out. I suggest the construction of more hotels near campus as well as engaging local businesses into the stadiums core.	
Obviously, information on where on campus it will be built and what other facilities or venues will be included will be important. Information on how parking and traffic flows on game day will be critical. Hopefully, new facilities for parking will also improve parking capacity for Moby Arena as well.	That now is the time to take the steps necessary to ensure that Division 1 sports programs and a world class university will result.	I am concerned that various factions that really have no dog in the fight will attempt to dominate the process. It seems to me that if donors choose to donate to a particular interest it is entirely within their rights to do so. The process must operate on this important factor and not get side-tracked by people who want to make funding a critical issue.	It will be useful for the Committee to indentify as many compatible uses for the new stadium as possible. Ideas that would incorporate maximizing use of bicycles for access to the stadium, the Mason Street transportation system, and places to tail-gate near the stadium are critical. Restroom facilities in the new stadium must accomodate the need for larger women facilities to avoid the long lines that are typically associated with venue restrooms.
My mind is already made up. Build it!	How important this stadium is, not only to CSU, but to the City of Fort Collins as well. The stadium will give both CSU and Fort Collins increased visibility, which can go a long way in determining the quality of students CSU will be able to attract.	I want both the City of Fort Collins and CSU to work together and really push the Mason Street Corridor as a viable alternative to driving to to the game. This can have a huge impact on easing traffic and parking issues. Make it well known that the MAX buses traveling up and down the corridor are environmentally friendly!	
Details of the location, construction, and appearance of the stadium.	I trust them.	None. The process, as defined, addresses all my concerns. It would be useful to issue frequent updates or announcements about the committee's and subcommittees' work (if only to	

		provide talking points for supporters of the process).	
<p>1. When is ground breaking happening?</p> <p>2. Is this significant committment to not only CSU Football, but CSU atheltics driving background conversations of "invitations" to BCS conferences - such as the Big XII?</p> <p>3. Will the private donors be visibile to public so we can offer our "thanks"?</p>	<p>There is no doubt the landscape of college athletics has changed, and we are even further from the "big boys" and closer to "FCS" than ever. We have to showcase CSU as a place built with tradition, is dedicated to investing in athletics and a univeristy that strives for growth/winning in all areas of the university: field/courts/classrooms.</p> <p>A new on campus stadium is a huge step towards transforming the aura of CSU athletics. We need this now and we finally have the leadership team and committment to make it happen - let's not waste this once in a lifetime opportunity.</p>	<p>Living out of state, I hope to continue to have web stream and posting of presentations.</p>	
<p>I am all in, for the new stadium. It absolutely needs to be an on Campus stadium, though.</p>	<p>I believe that without the stadium, the football program will be delegated to the FCS division. Losing the exposure of the BCS division will be costly to all aspects of CSU.</p>	<p>I think that when people do the research, they will see CSU has done a good job of engaging the community, but the people against the stadium will never admit to it.</p>	
<p>None.</p>	<p>I am all for the new stadium. I have been saying to others for years that a huge part of the disconnect between the university and its alumni and surrounding community is the fact that most people's only physical connection to CSU is a dusty parking lot on the edge of town. This initiative could be a total game-changer.</p>	<p>I wish the University would take a more proactive stance with the community as far as spreading accurate information on the source of financing, potential impacts on the university finances and overall culture, etc. I feel like the small opposition groups have used public forums such as newspapers, the internet, etc., to sow a great amount of misinformation and distrust well ahead of CSU providing the accurate facts. People are being misled and turned against the idea of progress before they ever get any actual information.</p>	<p>How soon can we break ground?</p>

	The people who live near the campus feel the coach and AD have come to town and are immediately in charge of north fort Collins future.		
I understand the stadium would be built with private donations but who will be paying for the ongoing maintenance of the stadium? What other events will be scheduled at the stadium, and if they are concerts, is the noise ordinance in place on those events (can't be going on after a certain time during the week, etc...)? Allowing alcohol at events??? What will happen with Hughes stadium? Now that it looks great from the roads with the new signs, landscaping, etc., will it be torn down - maybe for parking for the campus stadium?????	I have lived in Fort Collins since 1979 so have seen LOTS of changes to our town. I have attended football games at CU's campus stadium but know they have at least five bus lines set up for game attendees to ride into campus. Based on the locations being considered for the stadium, I can't imagine space for parking (unless it's parking garages several stories high close to the stadium). Please consider shuttle busses or other transportation that would take game attendees into town from sites on the perimeter of town...	I would like to see a timeline for private donations, building plans/proposals as well as parking considerations and a final date for stadium opening. Also, please address plans for Hughes Stadium's future (use by high school teams???) and accountability of the funds that were spent to renovate that stadium - especially donations made by the Bohemian Foundation/Pat Stryker. Will all future meetings be open to the public with public input at the meetings????	I have been a long supporter of CSU - both financially (child attended there) and being a huge sports fan/supporter of all programs. I personally think we are jumping the gun on building a campus stadium. I would like to see how the athletic program fares for the next few years, enjoy the renovations at Hughes Stadium for a few more years, and then consider if we are at a place financially and athletically within our conference (what conference will that be???) to warrant a campus stadium.
Plans for accomodating parking / transit.	Need to be mindful of impact to neighbors of the university.	Keep visible the pros not just for the university, but for the city (revenue for businesses on game day, other uses community uses for the stadium).	
I am all for this move.		You need to keep everyone appraised of progress, maybe leak some funding numbers (how much pledged). Maybe disclose some donor names, with permission. Get some preliminary plans/drawings out, even if they're way too preliminary to be pertinent. People react to drawings. Give some ideas about what can be done about parking/traffic. More then "it will be evaluated", along the lines of - we need x parking spots which will be incorporated, we can expand x roads and have ingress/egress	

		from x roads.	
Where will parking spaces come from with a new stadium? What will happen when students start to tailgate on campus? Where will this stadium be placed? How will this affect tuition? Will there be enough places for students to live once we start increasing student population?	Students struggle with parking on campus everyday. The lots are demolished often and more passes are sold than parking spots available. What will happen to this situation when we get a stadium on campus?	Get input from alumni, students, staff and faculty.	
None. I trust it will get done right and thorough in the first place.	Get 'er done and I will scream from the roof tops to get butts in seats.	None	None
How big would the stadium be? What design? And what we will do to ensure the individuality of this stadium from the rest of the teams around the country.	The student body is starving for a spark! Give us the once devoted Ram-nation we are all proud of. It starts with excitement, let it take off!	don't be afraid to appoint those that are willing to advocate the importance of this decision. There are many students willing to do so, myself included.	Go Rams!
None start Building now - You could even call it STRYKER Field -			
I need no further information. I reject out of hand the construction of even more facilities which will in no way serve me or make my life better. In fact, a new stadium would make my life worse.	Even forming a committee is a waste of resources. Stop it.	Cease and desist. Stop now.	No more. I am angry!
NONE	NONE	NONE	CSU needs some new traditions like this: http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ErJo2CpAYps&feature=related
None. There is no way that even with 20 years of heavy investment that our football team will be able to compete with the best of the SEC, PAC, or Big ten. Only the top 10% of football teams actually operate in the black, we should not invest in a sport that will never be profitable to the university! Football will always be a sink.	DO NOT BUILD A STADIUM IN TOWN. I have not talked to one person who live in Fort Collins who thinks its a good idea. Forty or fifty years ago they had the foresight to build it on the outskirts of town so activites like tailgating could take place. If we had a better public transit system students would not have difficultly getting to the football stadium safely	you should do a mail in poll of the homeowners with 1 mile of the proposed stadium location as ask them for their opinions because they are going to be the most effected.	We just revamped the old stadium, and built the football team an indoor practice facility. Why are we only investing in one sport, when that sport is not even competitive hasn't been for years, and does not have the potential to make the university any money?
			Let get it going!
	I've already responded on an earlier form.	Ditto.	

There was a reference in December or January in the Collegian to a proposal made in 2005 for an on-campus stadium. Presumably, the proposal was abandoned. Why? How far did that proposal advance? Was a feasibility study completed?

Online Answers to Initial Feedback Forms from first Stadium Advisory Committee Meeting

Third Posting of Data

This document contains the data from Feb. 13 to Feb. 21.

Additional documents includes the online data from Feb. 3 – Feb 6 and Feb. 6 to Feb 13. (posted at www.cpd.colostate.edu)

The initial meeting of the Stadium Advisory Committee was on Friday, February 3rd. The meeting was open to the public to observe, but time for public comment was not available. Those participating were provided feedback forms with several prompts to provide their initial opinions about the proposal to build an on-campus stadium.

70 of those forms were turned in at the end of the process. Those forms were scanned, and are provided in full in a separate document (<http://www.cpd.colostate.edu/first%20committee%20meeting%20-%20feedback%20forms.pdf>).

The same questions were provided online for others to answer, and this document includes all the unedited responses provided online.

We will update this document periodically as responses come in.

It was difficult to put all 5 questions side by side, so we have the first two questions first, and then on page 15, the last three questions begin. The five questions were:

1. Regarding the potential building of a new on-campus stadium at CSU, I am excited about...
2. I am concerned that...
3. What additional information would you need to decide about this issue?
4. What is the most important thing you want the advisory committee to understand about your view of this issue?
5. What questions/concerns/suggestions do you have for the public engagement process?

The arguments, ideas, concerns, and questions expressed in this forms will be utilized to help design the public process and inform the stadium committee's decision. Part of the process will also be identifying and attempting to resolve factual questions and inaccuracies. Obviously we cannot attest to the validity of factual claims made on these forms. If you have a specific response or concern to a point made on one of these forms, you can email the CPD at cpd@colostate.edu. Note the page number if you are referencing something specific.

These input forms are also not necessarily representative of relevant stakeholders, as any online process is susceptible to individuals posting multiple times. This information is being used to get a sense of the issues, not to count how many people are for or against at this point.

Regarding the potential building of a new on-campus stadium at CSU, I am excited about...	I am concerned that...
Nothing. I get plenty of excitement from the games at Hughes.	this will be a costly, unnecessary, traffic-inducing, green space-hogging boondoggle.
My daughter is a freshman living in Braiden Hall (out of state student from California) and choose not to attend some football games due to the difficulty of getting to and from Hughes stadium. That is a big dissapointment for me--and her-- and I am excited about her or future students having the ability to simply walk from their dorms to the "on campus" stadium. She was accepted to CU Boulder and when we were there for our visit on a Saturday "Game Day" the atmosphere on campus was just fantastic. I'm excited to see that replcated at Colorado State University. Obviously, my daughter chose CSU over CU Boulder (YEA!) but one of the "negatives" of CSU from her evaluative standpoint was the fact that CSU's stadium was "off campus".	If done improperly the on campus stadium will be an "eyesore" on a otherwise open and pretty campus. It also concerns me that it would negatively impact the neighborhoods around the campus. For example, the Plymouth UCC Church off of Lake St. (i.e. unauthorized use of the parking lot, public urination, etc.)
The furthering of the campus community is probably the biggest excitement I have. As a student, I know and see that plenty of my friends won't go to a CSU Football game (unless it's against CU) because of the travel. I love the concept of a new stadium bringing more school spirit, pride, and a better reputation to Colorado State. I also love the idea of getting a better name nationally. With a fantastic new program, it almost pleads to have an on-campus stadium. In order for prospects to take us seriously, we need to have substance to back it.	Our contract with the Mountain concerns me the most. As amazing as a new stadium on campus may be, it is fruitless if we can't show that same stadium to the rest of the country. Considering that hardly anybody has the mountain (due to subscriptions, etc.), people in Colorado much less anywhere else don't watch the games. I find it very difficult to believe that you can garner support from the CO population overall without changing our broadcaster provider. Try KKTV 11 News in Colorado Springs, and CBS4 Denver for starts.
	We will spend lots of money on something we already have and that is not dysfunctional in any way. We also have no room on campus to build a stadium.
Everything about it!! Here are a few:	The stadium won't happen and we'll be stuck with Hughes!

<p>1. To feel connected with the university when I return to Fort Collins to watch games. I have season tickets, and when I go to football games I rarely ever go to campus on gameday. I drive to Fort Collins, tailgate at the stadium, watch the game, then drive home. In contrast to when I watch basketball games, I usually walk around campus, get food before the game near campus, then afterwards I go to old town. I am much more involved with the community with games on campus.</p> <p>2. To get an upgraded facility that is aesthetically beautiful, fits in with campus, brings together the alumni with the students and has many uses for the university and community.</p> <p>3. To see CSU invest in athletics. Investing in being great in everything we do.</p> <p>4. I am very excited at the prospect of tailgating on campus, especially at the oval!</p>	<p>About the new stadium, I am curious where it is going to go and how they will integrate local transportation systems (ie. the mason st corridor). No real concerns.</p>
<p>The energy and synergy that will be created between the campus, alumni, and community of Ft. Collins. Current stadium is not only disconnected from campus, it is disconnected from the business community of Ft. Collins and it does not allow alumni to connect with the CSU campus and give an opportunity to share memories.</p>	<p>It may not have a positive financial impact to the athletic department and university.</p>
<p>seems like a win-win-win-win</p> <p>jobs for Ft.Collins, \$\$ for Ft. Collins Business, good publicity for</p>	<p>None</p>

CSU, good for CSU athletics	
Reconnecting to campus and letting my family see my alma mater having hope as a Ram fan!! I think it could be such a positive influence for the university!	It won't be built quickly enough!
CSU finally taking a leadership role in the promotion of athletics...for too long we've accepted mediocrity and it's time to expect excellence.	naysayers will keep the project from going through. Many seem determined not to keep an open mind.
A new venue, that will be multi-use and a gathering place for students and alumni. Something will be architecturally positive for the campus and provide a focal point to propel Ram sports to the next level.	the opposition will drag the process out and make it impossible to proceed should the committee agree that the stadium should be built.
The potential for CSU to catapult itself athletically into a similar position as it already has academically. This stadium is the perfect opportunity for us to leverage resources to make CSU and Fort Collins a better place. It will provide a platform for the University and the community that it deserves.	The nay-sayers will shout this project down for all the wrong reasons.
#####	The vocal minority (those that oppose the stadium) will yell louder than those in favor. This is always the case in situations like this. The CPD tends to attract folks who oppose certain issues and it tends to exclude those in favor. When it comes to any issue, the vocal minority are the ones who are going to show up to these events. The clear majority is in favor of a new stadium, I hope they speak up.
Experiencing campus and a stadium together. To be able to walk by Newsom Hall where I lived, to see the buildings I had class in, all while going to a game.	The vocal minority, who doesn't even support CSU or care about athletics will be able to derail us.
The fact that we're finally taking athletics seriously and the recruiting capabilities a new stadium would bring	It will not go up soon enough.
Having alumni from Denver and elsewhere coming back to campus, showing their girlfriend/boyfriend/ husband/ wife/children/grandchildren where they went to school. They'd show them the oval, take them to restaurants near campus or in Old Town and show off both the university and the town with pride. As a local, I would be able to bike or walk to home games.	It won't be built. It would be absolutely devastating for the image of the university if the stadium wasn't built. This would just show that the University can't get things done
I am most excited about the chance to begin new traditions at CSU. An on campus stadium would provide endless opportunities	The Fort Collins community is too short-sighted to realize we need to better market our town and athletics in order to be at our best.
	The city and residents of Fort Collins does not support CSU. Without CSU the city would not thrive as it does today. Support is needed

<p>to show off to my family and friends where I went to school and how proud I am to be a Ram. The game day atmosphere will bring excitement with an on campus stadium that all of Fort Collins will benefit from.</p>	<p>not only by the students but the city as well.</p>
<p>building a tradition of attending football games and cheering for a team and school that I can be proud of. As a student in the 1980's I went to maybe 3 or 4 games during my 3 years in school. I would rather road trip to Lincoln and feel a part of something greater on the football field. The atmosphere is truly electric on campus and in the city of Lincoln when discussing Husker football. We can and WILL get this same excitement at CSU should we build an on campus stadium and bring alumni, community members, and students all back onto campus in unison. What a great opportunity! I WILL renew my Ram Club membership and season tickets that I haven't had for 10 years now that Dr. Frank, Jack Graham, and the football staff are providing hope of being part of something great!!!</p>	<p>the naysayers really don't know what they don't know. How can those opposed to the stadium understand the excitement of being at an on-campus event when they have never experienced the excitement of a big time college atmosphere? How can they coin "Save Our Stadium" when Hughes is a substandard facility, non-fan friendly, and even Sonny Lubick recognized CSU had a ceiling with the poor facility in the stadium and on campus? Hughes stadium served its time, but is in no way indicative of a 21st century facility. It is suited for CSU if the university decides to go to I AA and compete in the Big Sky. It is built for mediocrity.</p>
	<p>I am concerned that the on-campus stadium is a done deal and these comments (along with many others' comments) will have no impact. I believe that Frank made promises to Graham and/or Graham and Frank made promises to McElwain that they are bound and determined to keep, regardless of the opposition of many residents of Fort Collins.</p>
	<p>a vocal minority will deter, detract, and delay or deny the opportunity to create something that becomes one of the calling cards for the university, and an attraction for the city. I am concerned that more emphasis will be given to these groups response, and opinions will not be weighed by each individual's input. One person, one vote so to speak, and not the volume put out by a select few.</p>
	<p>We may neglect to build on our strengths and instead do something short-sighted and impulsive that might have dire consequences for the university and the city.</p>
	<p>Nobody is seriously evaluating what can be done with Hughes</p>

	<p>Stadium to achieve many of the same goals Jack Graham says are so important. I was at the 3 Feb PowerPoint sales pitch and was amazed at the lack of real facts to support his talking points. If this is a first rate academic institution then he should use information that would meet academic standards. I would have tossed any second lieutenant in my squadron out on his or her ear if they had presented that briefing to justify a \$100,000 project - let alone a \$200 million one :-{</p>
	<p>The stadium will be place south of Mody where the current intramural and practice fields are. Thuse obstructing the views of the front range and overall feel of the campus.</p>
	<p>...our beloved CSU is at risk of sullyng its good name, by blithely promoting an idea that is not being well-received by the public. The University must continue to do everything in its power to conduct the planning process with integrity. It must exercise due diligence, in the most thorough and transparent way possible, or the critics will eat it up like a pack of hounds on a wounded animal.</p>
	<p>An on-campus stadium will bring a dangerous element into an otherwise safe environment. Sports fans, especially when under the influence of alcohol, across the nation have gotten increasingly violent over the years. Inviting them to walk the quads with my son and daughter seems rash. The idea of concert fans being added to the mix is even more ludicrous.</p>
	<p>A new on "main" campus stadium will put sports above academics, which I believe would be wrong. Especially for a land grant institution. CSU should be more interested in perpetuating a learning environment instead of a proving ground and training field for pro sports.</p> <p>Honesty, knowledge and concern for your fellow man are much better tools to take into the future than anything you can learn on the football field. I think more importance should go to the</p>

	intermural sports.
	this plan is being pushed by an athletic director who is essentially a non-resident and who seems to have little to no regard for the opinion of the residents of Ft. Collins. His assertion that enrollment will increase at CSU due to an on-campus stadium is NOT substantiated by data and does not take into account the negative aspects of 'game day' attendance, e.g. parking, traffic congestion, litter, etc. I have heard that only 20% of CSU students attend football games.
	it is being presented as a fait accompli to the community.
	Mssrs. Frank and Graham will impose a ridiculous waste of money on us.
	The small minority that is the opposition will stall or ultimately block this project.
	having a stadium on campus will reduce CSUs green space, burden an already weak infrastructure, and hurt home values.
	This process is a rush to a failure.
	parking for off campus students for the game and for classes. Parking for non students during the games. Need to really plan that one out as hughes made that really easy with the large open field.
	<p>1. If CSU intends to continue advertising ourselves as a "green university" then we cannot justify doing things like tearing down the Sustainable Development gardens to build a costly building that there is no need for. We already have a stadium that is in great working condition and holds enough people. There is nothing "green" about building something we already have, especially if that means destroying an actual green program like the SusDev gardens.</p> <p>2. Last semester, the ceiling in my classroom in Clark collapsed from water damage, disrupting the classroom learning environment. Classes on Shakespeare are being held in the Military Sciences</p>

building. Faculty/staff offices are crowded and scattered wherever there might be a room big enough. There are simply not enough classroom spaces available to adequately hold our increasingly-growing population of students, limiting the number of classes available at a given time. If we are spending money on constructing buildings, it should go to creating/improving educational facilities. We are an EDUCATIONAL institution, and yet we seem to be neglecting this fact in the on-campus construction process.

3. Acreage and open space are vital for a land grant university, and are part of what attracts students to CSU. It is completely irresponsible to destroy this open space.

4. Football is NOT more important than other sports, and to build a second stadium to be used only a few times a year on precious intramural fields, open space or agricultural acreage is unconscionable. A new football stadium is superfluous and completely unnecessary, especially when our current stadium is rarely filled and is functioning well.

5. A new, costly stadium yields a better football team? Really? Let's reevaluate that logic, shall we?

6. As a student living on-campus, I find having an off-campus stadium to be very convenient! It keeps noise pollution and drinking (we are a dry campus, after all) away from the dorms.

	<p>Tailgating is a large part of football culture, and that will no longer be possible in its current form if that gets moved from off-campus onto school grounds.</p> <p>7. Parking. There is already a severe lack of parking spaces available on campus, and we continue to grow as a student population. Parking for the homecoming football games is extensive... There's barely room for a stadium, where will there be room for parking to accompany it?</p> <p>8. At some point, the costs of building/maintaining this stadium will affect student fees. As far as I can tell, the overwhelming student opinion is opposed to the stadium, and it is not just to make us pay for something we do not support.</p>
	<p>However, the majority of CSU students do not live on campus, and in fact many students live farther away from campus than Hughes Stadium. Most students would drive to the football games anyway, regardless of where they are held, and finding parking in the middle of Fort Collins would not be easy. The current stadium has several open fields for people to park in.</p> <p>Also, the current stadium sells alcohol at games. Would the new stadium do that, since CSU's campus is a dry campus except for the Ramskeller? I have heard from certain students that the only reason they go to games is to drink.</p> <p>The issue of the new stadium being an eyesore is another issue. A possible location for this stadium is the intramural fields, which are used by many students during the warmer months. If the stadium is built there, we would lose valuable intramural team practice and</p>

	<p>game space, as well as recreational space. There really is no room on campus for a new stadium.</p>
	<p>The Football team is getting rewarded when they don't deserve it. That The stadium that we all know and love will go by the wayside for this new meaningless stadium. That the landscape of CSU that I fell in love with that made me decide to come here will be ruined, and become an ugly industrial type of thing.</p>
	<p>we are needlessly throwing money at our football program in the hopes of making it better. I'm glad we have a new head coach; give him some time to work through the issues that the team has.</p> <p>A new stadium on campus seems unnecessary. We have recently poured significant funding into the stadium we have by remodeling several interior spaces (such as the Rams Alumni Athletes Association Lounge and the kitchen area, not to mention the beautiful suites overlooking the field), adding wraps to the formerly bare concrete walls and structural elements, and improving the parking area, to name a few things.</p> <p>The current stadium is in a desirable location.</p> <p>- It is near enough to campus that it is easily accessible to the students (many of whom already live on the west side of campus, and have to travel a mile or less in most cases) without hindering</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) transportation through campus and an already congested section of Fort Collins and 2) providing unnecessary noise, rowdiness, and danger (from spirited, cheering fans and intoxicated individuals alike) to those

who would rather spend their Saturday on campus playing intramural sports, relaxing in their dorm room, or attempting to study.

I, for one, dislike navigating campus as-is, especially near Moby Arena on game days. Imagine those issues, but greatly heightened.

- Parking around campus would become even more difficult, as fans would most likely attempt to take over student parking lots (and if those lots were monitored, students might be deprived of the ability to park near their friend's dorm on a weekend, when lots are not currently monitored, on game days).

- There would be an increased chance for pedestrian or bicyclist accidents as more people would walk or bike to the game rather than driving. Pedestrians and bicyclists are most apt to ignore the rules of the road, under the mantra of "pedestrian right-of-way," regardless of whether or not they actually have the right of way. Combine this with lowered inhibitions from cheering on your team and drinking, and we have things to worry about.

- Celebrations might have more impact on a bigger part of the community (remember the riot students had a couple of years back after seeing the game on TELEVISION? Imagine what might have happened had it happened closer to the center of campus.

The Fort Collins community vetoed CSU building a theatre tall enough to incorporate space to fly scenery out of the way because it would be an eyesore. Do you really think that they want a huge stadium in the middle of the city detracting not only from the view,

	<p>but compounding traffic issues as well? Hughes Stadium is far enough from town that most people don't mind its size, nor is it so close to Shields or College Ave. that it makes those congested streets too much worse.</p> <p>Although there are arguments to be made for a stadium on campus (Boulder has one, it might increase student support for the athletic department, etc) I think there is more to the picture. For example,</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Boulder's campus has had a stadium in the middle for a long time. Campus is laid out in a manner to support the stadium, because it developed around it. Our campus is too far developed to try to adapt it. - Students that are interested in the games are going to go to the games. Hughes Stadium is not too far out of the way. It is the team they care about, not the facility, and it is the team's losing streak that is driving them away. If everyone is so concerned that giving away free tickets is not enough to get students to attend the games, then try improving transportation routes to the stadium.
	<p>it would not be built first class, state of the art or in a way to NOT inspire future stadiums all over the country.</p>
	<p>Misplaced priorities placing sso much emphasis on sports over achedemics. Possible loss of parking which is already in too short supply on campus. Traffic congestion in the center of town on</p>

	game day.
	<p>CSU is for sale to football "donors". The fans are more important than the students. The students (and their parents) will foot the bill. This is a diversion of money and resources away from education.</p> <p>The costs are not limited to construction.</p> <p>There is no reason to believe that an on-campus stadium a) is needed for better football b) will attract more students c) will be financially self-sustaining d) is a good way to use the precious land</p> <p>The considerable opposition is not being heard and that they will go ahead with their agenda no matter what.</p> <p>This is further proof of the deterioration of education as a priority in our country and why we are falling so far behind other countries in math and science.</p> <p>This inappropriate, frivolous and out sized stadium will threaten the very nature of Fort Collins and CSU that has garnered us so much national attention as the best place to live for the past 15 years and has attracted so many people to live here. They didn't come here for football.</p>

	<p>The only purpose for this is football to the exclusion of other athletics.</p> <p>There will be no place to put buildings that CSU needs to educate or house 35,000 students..</p> <p>40-50,000 people descending into already congested area of old town</p> <p>There has been no regional economic analysis.</p> <p>People from outside our local community have considerable influence on this issue and threaten our autonomy in decisions that immediately affect our town.</p> <p>That there is no attempt to poll the students, faculty and staff of CSU, all of the alumni or the local community</p>
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What additional information would you need to decide about this issue?	What is the most important thing you want the advisory committee to understand about your view of this issue?	What questions/concerns/suggestions do you have for the public engagement process?
<p>If you could guarantee that an on-campus stadium would magically produce a top-10 team that sold out every game and produced ZERO traffic/congestion problems, I would be all for the on-campus stadium. No such guarantee can be made, so I can't imagine how I could be convinced. Fortunately, we can reach the top 10 and have no traffic problems with the EXISTING stadium.</p>	<p>Proponents believe attendance would go UP and downtown business would go UP. I believe the opposite to be true. People will fear the inevitable traffic mess and STAY AWAY from the game and old town. Unintended consequences that are all but inevitable.</p>	<p>Merely "energizing" the student body is not a valid reason to engage in this. My big question is "why" and I need to see a BEST-CASE financial scenario and a WORST CASE financial scenario. With those two scenarios out for all to see, we can make an informed decision.</p> <p>Oh, and what the heck are you going to do with Hughes?</p>
<p>Nothing at this time.</p>	<p>It is important that CSU have an "on campus" stadium. When looking at a University in today's "marketplace" of higher education, the top tier schools will have this. It really is a defining symbol of unity and school pride.</p> <p>P.S. Correct the typo "think" in the question above to read "thing".</p>	<p>An issue this big to resolve means to get everyone involved. Now let's build CSU's fourth stadium back on campus. GO RAMS!</p>
<p>Student tickets need to stay FREE. We like that a lot, and if you charge you will have just as many showing up on campus as you</p>	<p>As you probably already know, there are a lot of people who need to be considered in the process. However, unless you listen to</p>	<p>Well, it may not be "additional information", but I have seen that sometimes when a major building went up,</p>

did off campus. An area to tailgate would also be nice, but not required.	the students and where OUR school tuition is going, you aren't going to have a very successful time. Please, as obvious as this may be, listen to those who attend this wonderful University.	there was an online camera available for public viewing that was placed in 2 or 3 spots on the build site. If the project moves forward, I think it would be fantastic if that was made available through the CSU website somewhere.
budget and know where we plan to put it		I already pay a lot of money to go to school here. I want my money to go to my education and not the losing football team.
I am completely sold on the idea.	You're not just building a stadium, you are building a Fort Collins and CSU landmark. Make it beautiful, make it multi-use, think outside the box as to what can be included in it and make it be something that everyone in northern Colorado can brag about.	Keep the process open, but don't let yourselves derailed by the cynicism of others who are closed minded and stubborn!
None	I'm for it.	
Where is the money coming from? What kind of debt will it carry and how will it perform.	Understand the risk of moving forward, but also understand the risk of the status quo.	
Almost nothing... I am behind it 100% (and so is everyone else I know) and have my checkbook ready when/if we begin to fund raise!!	Every CSU fan or alum that I know is in support of an on campus stadium. Please do it the right way and make it something special!	It seems to me that it is being handled properly as is.
Nothing, I am all in and ready to donate.	Making the stadium multi-purpose and blending into the surrounding areas.	Keep an open mind
Retail space? Restaurants? Foot traffic? Multi-use? Will the track from College and Pitkin be able to be put there? Could we reclaim that space on College and Pitkin for other use? What other events could we have there? Will this be the means to get baseball and soccer brought in? Is this a step to moving into an athletic conference that is more in line with our academic	If we move forward with this project, and I hope we will, I call on Dr. Frank, the advisory board and Mr. Graham to begin a CSU first initiative: From Construction Management, Interior Design, Apparel and Merchandise Management, the College of Business, Technical Journalism all have excellent faculty, staff, graduate students and undergraduates, who should be	Same old committee members from the same old places with the same old results. Faculty council for intercollegiate athletics would have been a good place to start. Maybe polling for new committee members would be a good idea. It has the appearance of the same old club running the same old routine. I say this and I am in favor of the project: what do you think those against it

strengths (we are far better academically than the rest of the MW)? Will this help us bring in more advertisers and disenfranchised alumni?	consulted and brought in on the project. Please start this type of initiative, rather than paying outside companies large sums of money (Office Max contract?). One more thing: please appoint new and varied people to the task forces and committees instead of always giving the committee assignments to the same people.	say? Stacked? Also, in the previous question you have a typo: What is the most important "think" (thing is needed) you want the advisory committee to understand about your view of this issue?
Nothing, I'm on board. CSU has needed this for a long time. Let's not waste this perfect opportunity. I'm afraid if we do, it will be a long time before we get this opportunity again.	As an alum this would encourage me to make more trips up to Fort Collins with my family. I would love to show my family where I went to school and the surrounding area. Whenever we come up now we just go to Hughes and we aren't able to experience all the community has to offer. With an on campus stadium Alumni will be much more likely to travel up for games, spend time in Fort Collins, and take pride in being a RAM!	I am concerned that the minority voice will be too loud to overcome. Just because they are more vocal does not mean they are the majority. In fact, it is far from that.
None. The Ad and Pres has my complete support.		
How soon can we get it up?	When and where?	Could people please be respectful of the hearings?
None. Build it!	Build it and build it quickly!	I don't know how it's possible to oppose the building of the stadium with all of the facts for the tremendous benefits it would bring to the athletic department, university and city of Fort Collins
Possible location of the stadium; CSU athletics being honest with the public that it cannot compete or be profitable long-term without a change in conference and/or a new television contract for football.	The big changes in college athletics - especially movement of teams to new conferences - has me concerned about CSU athletics. If we do not "go big" we need to "go home".	A minority people will always whine and think they know better than everyone else. I trust CSU knows what is best for CSU.
No additional information is needed. An on	It is time for CSU to have a vision. Stop	The save our stadium group needs to stop

<p>campus stadium needs to happen now. We are falling behind in the world on NCAA Division 1 football. If we do not act quickly we will be left behind.</p>	<p>settling for mediocrity. Build the on campus stadium and thrive to be great.</p>	<p>being rude and ignorant. The community needs to stop being selfish and start appreciating CSU more. The on campus stadium only brings with it opportunity and growth. The time for change is now and CSU needs to act quickly.</p>
<p>None - we are long overdue in building this stadium. This is something I only could dream of when I was a student in the 1980's.</p>	<p>I am willing to travel 5 hours round trip from Colorado Springs on game days if we have an attitude of "no limits" when it comes to funding the football program and building a stadium that can move our university into the upper echelon of college football. Sonny Lubick understood there was a ceiling to our success when he was at the helm. Now, the ceiling has been lifted. Dr. Frank and Mr. Graham are to be commended. I fully support you and the University for your vision!</p>	<p>Please research and publish how much it costs to maintain Hughes stadium on an annual basis.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Concrete is poured below the west side stadium supports annually due to the stadium being built on a fault. How much does this cost every year? 2. Please produce an economic impact study as to how much revenue will pour into local businesses and the city when the stadium is built. This will be Very significant. Currently I only drive to the stadium and then get right back on the road to go back home. If stadium were on campus I would buy more memorabilia, food, etc. It happens every time I go to Nebraska to watch games.
<p>I don't need any information to make a decision. I am firmly opposed to building a new on-campus stadium. There is nothing that anyone can say that would make any difference. The cost in terms of my quality</p>	<p>I want the committed to understand several things. First, while they may gain support from people who are in favor of this obscene idea, they will lose a great deal of support as well. I hold two degrees from</p>	<p>My concern about the public input process is that it is a sham. It has been clear from the outset that CSU had already decided to do this. The committee formed after the decision was announced is clearly a</p>

<p>of life are too high and the benefits are zero.</p>	<p>CSU, but I have no intention of ever donating a penny unless this idea is dropped completely.</p> <p>Second, there is clearly no interest in gathering input about the impacts that the construction and operation of an on-campus stadium will have on the surrounding neighborhoods. We live 500 feet from campus. Any stadium will have negative impacts on our quality of life (noise, traffic, disruption during construction, etc.). There is not one bit of benefit that would accrue to me from a stadium and a great deal of cost.</p>	<p>response to the apparently unexpected public opposition.</p> <p>The committee is composed only of those who stand to gain from the stadium. There is no one on the committee representing the residents of Fort Collins or the adjacent neighborhoods. (Realtors DO NOT represent neighborhood interests).</p> <p>This forum for public input was also implemented well after the decision was announced. And today's paper has an article stating that you are already seeking bids from architects, further evidence that this public input process is completely spurious. It's clear that you will go through the motions of a public input and committee study process to give the appearance of listening to the citizens.</p> <p>Furthermore, having an organization affiliated with CSU run the public input process just deepens my suspicion that none of the negative input will be heeded.</p>
<p>None, the good outweighs any slight inconvenience. I approve of the project and</p>		

<p>hope it to go forward in a timely fashion. Please build an on campus stadium, with some architectural appeal.</p>		
<p>I would really need to have a crystal ball to see how it will impact the neighborhoods and the traffic, how it will waste money, what costs will be incurred that are not planned for, and what possible negative impact it will have on the city itself and on the university's academic advancement.</p>	<p>As a CSU alumna and a townie, I'm truly concerned that we will end up with a huge blight in the center of our city that could be seen as "The Stadium that Ate Fort Collins", choking off traffic, and stopping commerce, and that we will waste enormous resources and a proven, beautiful venue, and lose our integrity as a Green university.</p>	<p>I am concerned that alumni who live in Arvada, Aurora, and Timbaktu will have more say about our city than we will, that it is a done deal, and that there will be no democratic process because it will all be decided by Tony Frank, for whom I previously had the utmost respect, and for whom I would like to maintain the utmost respect provided the end results benefit the city and university.</p> <p>I would like to suggest that the advisory committee not be so weighted with builders, real estate investors, and CSU employees, and that it be balanced with a variety of alumni and townies with diverse backgrounds.</p>
<p>I want to know how the "facts" and information is verified and where the sources are that support the economic and spectator numbers being tossed around by both sides.</p> <p>What Fort Collins businesses are coming forward to support claims of more pre/post game sales and tax income ?</p>	<p>I was a student when Hughes Stadium was built. It did not improve the quality of our football team at all. We were mediocre in the College Ave field, we were no better after it was built.</p> <p>I am really concerned that they will destroy the outstanding visual environments on campus. After President Frank said it had to go in the Prospect, Shields, Laurel, College</p>	<p>From the city council presentation and the RFP in the paper it appears to have already been decided, and CSU administration is ignoring the SOSH questions being raised. Why aren't they seriously responding or engaging these citizens ?</p>

<p>How many sold out games have we ever had in the last 40 years ? How often will it REALLY be used ? And don't let Jack Graham count the soccer, lacrosse, and rugby teams he listed in his PowerPoint, while disclaiming any interest in actually forming those team sports.</p>	<p>Ave box it really restricts sites to some of the most valuable land at CSU. The IM fields are used by thousands more students than any varsity team ever would. What about the vacant land around Centre Drive ?</p> <p>Some way must be found to insure that only private funds will be used, and if only \$100 M is raised, that's all the stadium they design. Dr Franks can't go back and raise student fees to cover the shortfall like President Morgan did in 1968. It will be going back on his pledge.</p>	
<p>Where the stadium is to be located and quality of construction. Room for other adjacent facilities? (ie Baseball, Soccer?)</p>	<p>Right location and Right Design</p>	
<p>The whole range of pertinent facts: the true costs, the true projections of the gains in students applications, the financial gains from additional ticket sales, the environmental impacts, the verifiable estimates of increased alumni giving over the long haul, the attitude of the present student body toward the proposal, actual cases of other towns and schools building stadiums (selected cases could be disingenuous), and an honest estimate of the maintenance costs and a candid statement about whether these will fall on future students through their fees.</p>	<p>The people who have stood up in opposition to the stadium proposal are predominantly alumni and community members who love CSU--who attend a wide range of events on the campus, including football games, who care deeply about the image and integrity of the school, and who want the very best for CSU in every way. I am one of these, and I believe this proposal is at best a case of terribly misplaced priorities.</p>	<p>Will the administration have the courage to acknowledge and address the criticisms of the proposal?</p>
<p>Two things: 1) I would need a legally binding guarantee that no alcohol would be served</p>	<p>I want my students safe and the mere promise of increased security on campus</p>	<p>Why are there no parents of students with no other binding affiliations on the advisory</p>

at the stadium at any event, and 2) I would need a legally binding guarantee that it would be a football stadium, not a multi-use stadium involving concerts.	during events is not enough to win my support.	committee?
None. I've never supported sports nor believed in sitting on my butt getting drunk to see if I can out shout or out curse my neighbor Which seems to be what many of the students want to do at the game.	CSU already has a fine stadium already and if your want to improve what you already have, build onto Hughes. You can add more seats, vendors to sell CSU memorabilia, hotel suites and anything else you want with room to grow where Hughes resides. 3 miles from campus isn't that far away. Get real folks	Where is the private funding coming from? Foreign countries with the promise of enrolling that country's citizens at CSU in return? Is that how you want to increase your international student enrollment? Will that country have naming rights as well? If these citizens are getting special enrollment (who might not qualify on their own) that is just wrong, wrong, wrong,.
Proof (data) that shows building a large stadium on campus improves recruitment of students who will succeed at CSU. The university already has a dismal retention rate, i.e. number of freshman students who actually graduate.	That community input is ESSENTIAL to the decision making process. This means an adequate number (not a token number of stadium supporters) of community residents be included on the decision making committee. The committee as currently constituted is biased.	Suggestion - TOTAL community sentiment be assessed by an independent polling company (random sample) or other reliable method. Inclusion concerned citizens opposing the stadium on the stadium committee.
Where is the proof that a new stadium would enhance CSU's standing among the nation's universities?	The committee is doing an end run around the Ft. Collins community.	Need to have adequate representation of all segments of the Ft. Collins community on the committee, not just a stacked deck in favor of the stadium.
To see a careful business plan for the stadium idea, with estimates of costs, ROR, etc. It should be done in a way that would satisfy an actual investor.	The idea and the process by which this has been brought forth is shameful and disgusting.	When will you learn that we do not simply have a "failure to communicate." There is a conflict of power and interest here. Go watch Cool Hand Luke and see if you understand.
How will it be funded and where will it be located.	I believe this project is an absolute MUST for the future of CSU's football program, and athletics as a whole. With the current landscape surrounding college athletics, the status quo will leave us behind.	Make the case for the stadium so compelling that any reasonable alumni, resident of Fort Collins or otherwise can't come up with a reason that it shouldn't be built. Leave no doubt.

Unless CSU is suddenly a different campus, with double the size, this stadium is a useless attempt.		I love my alma mater, and I love the idea of a stadium (where it is presently located).
I own property 1.5 miles from campus and have no concerns regarding the on campus stadium.	How needed this project is to the viability of the university going forward.	
The success of stadiums built before a fan base existed.	You are risking 100's of millions in a market where 200,000 citizens are relied on to fill 45,000 seats for a heretofore losing team. No one ever succeeded at that before.	How can a process that needed years of deliberation and input at other campuses but is wrapped up here in five weeks have any credibility at all?
The success of stadiums built before a fan base existed.	You are risking 100's of millions in a market where 200,000 citizens are relied on to fill 45,000 seats for a heretofore losing team. No one ever succeeded at that before.	How can a process that needed years of deliberation and input at other campuses but is wrapped up here in five weeks have any credibility at all?
I decided I wanted an on campus stadium back when I first set foot on campus in 1992.	get it done!	Make sure everyone understands that game days cause traffic problems. Stress that traffic is high regardless of location of stadium, but with the on campus stadium there will actually be less traffic with students no longer driving there. In reality with the location of most students living within walking/biking distance of the campus, we should see aprx 8000 less people driving per game. That is a good thing in many ways.
	I love my school. I love that you keep us students updated on what is happening, and actually give us a chance to voice our opinions on the issue. But the idea of a stadium shouldn't even be an issue... the maybe-positives are greatly outweighed by the definite-negatives. I have never viewed my school as unconscionable until this debate arose. This is a completely irresponsible way to conduct school funds.	
What effect would having private donors		

<p>fund the new stadium have on the scholarships these private donors provide?</p>		
<p>I have already made up my mind on this issue and nothing is going to change that.</p>	<p>The new football stadium is not going to fix ticket sales or get more people to go to games, the reason people don't go to games is not because Hughes is so far away it is because the football team sucks. If we had a team worth watching we would find a way to the games no matter how far away the stadium is. I understand that it is not my money being spent on this new stadium but I still think it is an irresponsible way to allocate funds raised. Use any money raised for fixing other buildings that we already have. Instead of raising student fees to pay for stuff use the donations for the new stadium to be a general fund to pay for things like the late-night bus service on weekends or our free tickets to the games we already go to at Hughes. Hughes Stadium is perfect the way it is, if any money should be spent on football it should be used to fix up Hughes whenever needed, such as when the wind tears things down. I also don't think money should be spent on new uniforms, we just got new uniforms a couple years ago. Money is being spent on USELESS stuff.</p>	<p>Things like this forum are important because we all may not be able to make it to meetings on this issue and the things we say may not be appropriate for in-person public meetings. Make it clear that this is only in the beginning phases and that nothing is definite, because it sure seems like things are moving really fast toward the new stadium, when really there is only a handful of people that think it is a good idea.</p>
<p>How would the stadium's relocation to campus affect the liquor licensing? We chose not to serve alcohol at Moby Arena; would a new stadium reverse that decision? (I speak from personal experience when I say that drunk patrons at the basketball</p>	<p>Just because you can doesn't mean you should.</p> <p>The University is spending enough money</p>	

<p>games are a big enough problem without adding to it.)</p> <p>How far would intramural sports have to move in order to practice? Would students have a nice, open space on campus to just play around (other than the Oval, which is notorious for its falling tree limbs in the winter).</p> <p>What sort of security would prevent students from breaking in and damaging the new facility on a regular basis?</p> <p>How do you propose to deal with the imminent traffic nightmare?</p>	<p>on new buildings as it is. Although I understand that a significant portion of the funding for the proposed stadium would be provided by outside donors, I feel it is the wrong image for CSU to project while trying to assure students that their tuition increases are really necessary. If you are trying to show me that my education is valuable, don't go pouring money into the athletic program. Improve the quality of the academics. Keep our athletes motivated to learn. Improve our labs. Promote the arts.</p> <p>I am not proud to be a CSU Ram because of the football team, or because they have a brand-new, top-notch facility that may or may not actually increase their chances of winning. I am proud because of the opportunities that are afforded to me by my education. The games that we win are simply an added bonus.</p> <p>Think long and hard about whether or not this is actually necessary, or if it is simply a way to trick everyone into thinking that our athletic program is amazing. I know our athletes are amazing; one only has to look at the volleyball and basketball teams to see that, and they reside not in a brand new</p>	
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	building, but in a well-loved one. Just remember that the clothes don't necessarily make the man (or, in this case, the stadium the team).	
None	It should be built first class in a way that fits in with the sandstone veneer of the many newer post yellow brick buildings at CSU. Yellow brick is fine if built around the old yellow brick buildings on campus. Not the color of the new business administration building on Laurel. They did not do a good enough job matching the old yellow color of the oval buildings.	Positive publicity
Not just how/where the upfront money will come from but where will the upkeep funing be coming from. What parking facilities will be planned. If there are week night games will that mean some parking lots normally open to permit holders will be off limits on those days?	I don't see having a new larger stadium as a sign that the athletics are improving. Let's not put the cart before the horse. The way things are now it's difficult to fill the current stadium what makes you think it will be easy to sell out a new larger facility.	
I would like to see actual polls conducted divided up into students, faculty and staff of CSU, local residents, and alumni. I would like to know who is willing to donate millions to an on-campus stadium at CSU and whether they would be willing to donate to developing an athletic park that incorporates other athletics as well. If not, why not.	This issue has been very contentious and, if you persist in building it, will create everlasting resentment and disgust toward CSU in the community. Do you care? The legitimate concerns and problems of this far outweigh the proposed intangible benefits but how this impacts our community seems to be less important than the big dollar football donors and a few happy fans.	Concerns - there will be no polling of the Students, Faculty, Staff or the surrounding Fort Collins community. Why should 10 rabid fans have more voice in this than 10,000 quiet anti-stadium people? It is meant to make us complacent b/c they

	<p>Given the make up of the committee, it appears that the advisory committee was hand selected to rubber stamp the process. The process appears to be anything but fair and open.</p>	<p>just want us to think they are trying to engage the public.</p> <p>The CPD does not collect demographics, a representative sample or local input.</p> <p>Public engagement means actually engaging the public. A few focus sessions does not engage a public not interested in taking the time merely to talk and who will not come to them.</p>
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**Online Answers to Initial Feedback Forms from first Stadium Advisory Committee Meeting
Fourth Posting of Data**

This document contains the data from Feb. 21 to March 11

Additional documents includes the online data from Feb. 3 to Feb 21. (posted at www.cpd.colostate.edu)

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I am excited about...	I am concerned that...	What additional information would you need to decide about this issue?
Nothing	This stadium will go up. This is a bad idea and will clog up the general flow of the town. I really do not think this would be a good idea.	None, my mind is made up.
<p>Not much...</p> <p>I understand the appeal of an on-campus stadium, but do not believe it is in the best interests of CSU (for financial reasons) nor the surrounding community (for infrastructure and quality of life reasons). We do not have the space on campus or the infrastructure in our community for this vision.</p> <p>I fear that many costs will be externalized on the City and the residents.</p>	<p>I live about a mile south of the lagoon, and in the summer I can identify songs and lyrics(!) from the lagoon concert series. The proposed stadium would be even closer. I would imagine there will be efforts to use the facility as much as possible, meaning additional events and possibly concerts.</p> <p>How can noise possibly be managed so close to residential areas? Is a dome a possibility to mitigate impacts on the community? (Most stadiums are not situated so close to residential areas.)</p>	<p>At the very least, the Board of Governors needs to fulfill its fiduciary responsibilities, and require administrators to require financial feasibility studies. There are noted sports economists who could assist in this effort. If the Board of Governors approves any proposal without due diligence, they are not fulfilling their responsibilities.</p>
	<p>Interest in this stadium is just for the sake of building a new stadium. That a lot of money is going to be spent and a lot of ground is going to be ripped up and, at the end of it, Hugh's stadium will sit empty and grow mold while the shiny new stadium becomes an impediment to traffic flow & a general inconvenience for those who don't give a rip about football. There's already enough trouble with traffic around campus & I don't believe enough steps would be taken to ensure that football traffic wouldn't</p>	<p>Detailed plans of where the stadium would be built, how traffic would be dealt with, and where the money for the project would come from.</p>

	<p>simply create further gridlock. And where would tailgating take place? On top of it all, the fact is that we just don't have a very good football team & I don't believe that building them a new stadium is money well spent.</p>	
not this!	<p>Traffic! I waited 1/2 hour for parking for a game at Moby last week. This would be a disaster.</p> <p>CSU needs to focus on the other aspects of education. A stadium closer to town and campus will not make a better team or increase attendance - and there are multiple studies that show a bigger football program doesn't convey to a better educational organization because of increased funding - it just pays for a bigger ADept.</p> <p>You don't fill the stadium that you have - and the actual paying fans drive there anyway. The free students are the only ones who would have more convenience.</p> <p>It would have to be completely privately funded - INCLUDING THE LAND</p> <p>NO, NO, NO</p>	Nothing
		<p>Financial projections of gross cost and profit earned by the new stadium. Disclosure of current revenue generated by the current stadium. Projections of current stadiums costs vs actual costs. Opportunity costs (losses) incurred by employees participating in all related committees.</p>

<p>nothing in terms of a new stadium.</p>	<p>this is a waste of time, effort, and money. The current stadium is in a fantastic location, amenable to vast amounts of parking (with reasonable pricing), great views, and wonderful tailgating (a longtime Ram tradition). I also believe that this is an insult to the extremely generous donation provided by Pat Stryker to update the stadium. My biggest concern is that after supporting the Ram football team through very bad, good, great, and not-so-good for over 20 years, I will no longer be motivated to do so.</p>	<p>Nothing. I am completely against a new stadium on campus.</p>
	<p>to much time and effort is being poured into athletics. I know the stadium is to be built on donations but if we had a good foundations team they would be able to direct more of these donors to give to academics or at least split their donation 50/50. Academics should be our strong focus and athletics should be secondary. We have a perfectly fine stadium in Hughes Stadium and it never fills any way.</p>	
<p>Absolutely nothing about this insane idea</p>	<p>This has to be the most stupid idea I have heard in the nearly 30 years I have been associated with CSU. Currently, on game days at the existing Hughes location, traffic is terrible on West Elizabeth and Mulberry. Forget trying to turn left from any intersecting neighborhood streets on those days.</p> <p>To move the stadium to campus would congest traffic on College, Laurel, Shields, Prospect, Lake, and other neighboring streets as well. Noise, trash, tailgating parties and many other things</p>	<p>None--this issue needs to be abandoned and thrown in the trash.</p>

	<p>which naturally go with game day--and which are just fine when the location is right--would be a complete disruption to neighborhoods around campus and people trying to commute for other reasons on these main thoroughfare streets to other parts of Fort Collins. Property values in the immediate area will likely decline and owner-occupied homes who already sometimes struggle to co-exist peacefully with the large student population, will have this unfair and completely unnecessary burden added. It is a complete waste to give up the existing facility which is placed on the beautiful setting of the foothills--and quite frankly, is close enough to campus to be "part" of campus! The timing</p> <p>is horrible, the money spent would be a waste in this economy, and the insult to having this idea hurriedly rammed down the throats of Fort Collins residents is despicable.</p>	
Walking to football games	<p>Money could be better spent elsewhere.</p> <p>Traffic around campus during event times.</p>	How much cheaper it would be to simply improve or repair the old stadium.
Finally finding the on-line forum for this issue.	I find it interesting that your 4 criteria for the new stadium don't include "no academic buildings will be bulldozed to build the new stadium". You seem more interested in preserving views than academics.	For the schools that have major football teams, how much of the money that the football program brings into the school each year benefits academics (and I don't mean hiring private tutors for football players)?
	No matter where you build there are traffic considerations. Streets like Shields are maxed out as it is with gridlock.	How much of this has been discussed or planned out.
encouraging CSU to voluntarily commission an environmental impact study and sharing those	this is the brainchild of two people, Jack Graham and Tony Frank, and somehow they have	I do not need any further information to decide that we need to stay with Hughes Stadium and

<p>results with the community. It is my understanding that nothing in the state of Colorado requires that such a study be conducted, but it would be an excellent move on the part of the university, especially in light of their stated wish to involve the public in the decision and the assurance that nothing has been finalized regarding the stadium proposed.</p>	<p>convinced a number of others to support the proposal. Our current stadium is more than adequate for its intended purpose, and in fact, the setting is unique and beautiful. Why would we want to replace Hughes with something that needs to be crammed into limited space with the prospect of parking garages on the horizon to further damage the aesthetic. If Hughes needs improving, use money for that and make it even more of a draw.</p>	<p>devote money that people want to give to the wonderful academic programs already in place or waiting for funding. All of the prognostications of benefits to be derived from a new stadium are impossible to prove and the cost to the community should the benefits not be realized make this a no-brainer for me.</p>
<p>taking the time required to consider and research the issue of whether or not a new stadium should actually be built.</p>	<p>the decision will be based on feelings and "glory days" memories of other universities.</p>	<p>Solid facts. No more sales pitches. Research based on truly comparable situations.</p>
<p>The potential this initiative has for the University as a whole. Having lived outside the area (West Coast) post graduation from CSU (1980's), it was clear to prospective employers that increased name recognition of the University, which could come from a highly visible athletic program (possibly joining a Tier 1 conference) translates favorably to employment prospects. The two are complementary which the locals don't always appreciate.</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. We adequately consider and address impact concerns in an optimal way (recognizing that there Will Be an impact to neighborhoods) 2. We build thge stadium large enough, with state of the art, first class amenities to attract interest from major conferences. A new stadium for remaining a second tier conference should not be the desired outcome. 3. While this is a high risk investment, I think is one of our best options. We should have been visionary to have done this 10 years ago. 	<p>The final plan and concept. If we don't this first class, then I'm less certain that I would support this initiative.</p> <p>This is also with the understanding this is to be privately financed. It is is too controversial to involve public funding, especially when state support for higher education is dwindling.</p>
	<p>even though these public forums are being held, the school will not listen and move forward with the project regardless.</p>	
<p>creating temporal jobs for the construction</p>	<p>the traffic will be REALLY BAD on prospect,</p>	<p>How are they planning to deal with the traffic</p>

industry	shields, college and mulberry on game days, there wont be enough parking for professors, students and workers on game days, there will be more drinking at campus on game days, it will bring a lot more trash to campus.	this will cause in the city of FoCo?
Having a new stadium on campus be huge for our national recognition, which will increase recruitment, enrollment and the overall reach of CSU. For alumni, current and future students, and anyone with a vested interest as a RAM, this is a no-brainer. Everything about being a CSU RAM is amazing, but this is a needed next step if we want to be recognized as a serious athletic contender and ever move into a BCS conference. Yes, yes, yes, build the stadium and support an athletic program that could be among the elites in the next decade!	nothing.	nothing... build it!
The fierce community involvement that is taking place over the Stadium Issue. CSU and Fort Collins community members are becoming active and engaged like never before.	<p>Frank and Graham are treating this debate like a business issue, instead of a public policy issue.</p> <p>CSU is a steward of the public trust. It exists to provide education to the people of Colorado. If we act like a business, instead of a public institution, then we are failing.</p> <p>CSU is a community, not a for-profit company.</p> <p>Jack Graham stated in the first committee meeting that is was important to not fracture the community. It is too late for that. The proposal has already fractured the community.</p>	<p>Just like Mr. Graham, my mind is made up about this issue.</p> <p>I do not think it is possible for CSU to be a good caretaker of this community, and build a new stadium.</p> <p>I do not think it is possible for CSU to be a good neighbor, and build a new stadium.</p>

	Perhaps the bigger issue is not, as Frank argues, a lack of funding. Perhaps CSU is overspending on building projects.	
the prospect of having better attendance at games and better support for the football team	we are forgetting that a university is first and foremost for education. I feel that the money should go towards more education related projects -- renovated buildings, better technology in classrooms, helping the vet school move from the #2 spot to #1, etc.	
	Money invested in an infrequently used stadium will not enhance the academic reputation and standing of CSU.	None. I oppose it.
... the prospect of an on-campus stadium.	... it be done right, with excellence and vision. Don't try to shoehorn it into a space that isn't right but is cheap.	I would like to see site location options with site plans and architectural renderings.

What is the most important thing you want the advisory committee to understand about your view of this issue?	What questions/concerns/suggestions do you have for the public engagement process?	Additional questions or comments.
		<p>Don't do it. Bad decision! The place where the stadium is now is perfect. It's already a clusterfuck around the area during games now, imagine how it would be in the center of town.</p>
<p>Consider potential damage to CSU's finances. This is a risky proposition - could spend hundreds of millions and still not achieve top 25 status.</p> <p>Consider damage to the community and community relationships.</p>		<p>I believe these must be answered:</p> <p>Will private funds also pay for removal and rebuilding of existing departments/facilities?</p> <p>Will private funds be used to fully cover financing costs until donations are in hand (usually several years for a capital campaign)?</p> <p>Will additional private funds be raised to cover the cost overruns that are predictable in a project of this size/scope?</p> <p>Will private funds include those channeled through CSURF? If so, will the sources of those funds be transparent? Will they be new donations specified for the stadium or can CSURF use funds from any source they choose to be added to the stadium fund?</p>
	<p>How will the university respond and who will be responsible (CSU or City) for noise ordinance violations and complaints if the stadium is but on the core campus?</p>	
<p>That there are a lot of football fans in this town,</p>	<p>That those that don't want the stadium to be</p>	

<p>but there are also a lot of people who aren't football fans, and ripping up the center of town to build a stadium might just be an inconvenience to most & not something they'd appreciate. Further, there are many CSU employees that have gone without promotions or pay raises for years, hearing about how strapped for cash the university system is and how their sacrifices help keep the university afloat. To have campus ripped up to build a new stadium when there's a perfectly usable stadium in a perfectly beautiful location with money that could be used elsewhere to support the university community would be a slap in the face to many of these employees.</p>	<p>built will be written off as simply non-football fans and that serious concerns regarding space and traffic will be glossed over in favor of those that have the money that want to see the stadium constructed.</p>	
<p>If it ain't broke don't fix it.</p>		
<p>Traditions, affordability to continue to go to games, and wasting of current resources.</p>	<p>My guess is that the decision has been made assuming funding can be found.</p>	
<p>The most important thing is that these donors should be persuaded that more of their donation needs to go to Academics and maintaining our facilities and infrastructure. Cuts keep getting made which is harming these areas. How can people put so much emphasis on a new stadium when we have a perfectly fine one and let our main functions of a University deteriorate?</p>	<p>How do you feel that a new stadium will improve our academic areas and our maintenance and infrastructure? These are the areas being harmed currently and need our resources. How will all this be of any real benefit to the University?</p>	
<p>I am a Fort Collins property owner who pays property taxes and would have to live with the consequences, as would hundreds of others of us. Many (not all) students are not property owners, and when you don't live in property you</p>	<p>Those opposed SPEAK UP!!!!</p>	<p>Don't steamroll the opposition just because donors are waving money in the face of university administrators. Money can be dirty laundry.</p>

<p>own, you frequently don't have the same concerns and respect for that property that homeowners do.</p>		
<p>The on-campus stadium is a fun idea, but we have a lack of space and we already have a stadium.</p>		
<p>CSU is making a name for itself in academics and should be focusing its efforts on education. Spending millions on a facility that is used 6 times a year for only one of the many sports played at CSU (a male one at that) in hopes of some possible future sports glory is a total waste. I really don't think "if you build it they will come" will work, nor is it worth the cost.</p> <p>Traffic is already an issue on game days, it will be a nightmare when you have tens of thousands of people trying to get to and park in the middle of town. Remember, prospect is still a ratty 2 lane road to the interstate.</p>	<p>I had to hunt around to find this forum on the CSU site, why isn't there a link to it on the home page?</p> <p>Your process seems designed to control the discussion rather than allow for free discussion. The first meeting didn't allow any public input. Your subsequent meetings are by reservation only for "small groups".</p>	<p>We aren't some southern sports powerhouse. Is that really the goal that CSU has... to be a school that cares more for its football players than its students?</p>
<p>People drive around for nothing as it is. Our roads can get pretty clogged as it is. This sort of thing could promote some serious gridlock.</p>		
<p>I am very pro football, I love the game at all levels. I am also a graduate of CSU's Business School. I would of course like to see CSU have winning records and go to bowl games. But a new stadium will not guarantee that and the possibility of further losing seasons would leave us with a huge elephant in the room, i.e., an empty structure needing maintenance which could easily increase student fees and diminish</p>	<p>Amazingly enough, there are still numbers of Fort Collins residents who do not know that this process is underway. Local news is hard to come by if you do not read the newspaper (biased as it is, it does let you know what's happening). So I believe that people first need to be made aware - how about a community mailing using one of the ad services out there? Expensive, perhaps, but surely worth it in light of the amount of</p>	

funds for more important uses.	spending being contemplated. I do not see that Mr. Graham and Mr. Frank are anxious to spread the word any further than it has already gone, so I have little hope for such a move on their part. From the beginning of the process, it has felt like the stadium is a done deal. CSU needs to go out of its' way to prove otherwise.	
It has to slow down. Nobody will benefit from a rushed decision.	The lack of an average CSU neighbor on the SAB really causes me to question the rest of the process. In light of the oversight, even this input form seems like a facade meant to make us feel as though we have a voice when we don't.	CSU and Fort Collins are both too important to risk on an unconsidered "dream" or a premature boast.
This is an opportunity beyond athletics		
that it is an unnecessary thing for campus, CSU has many other achievements that students look for when choosing a University,that the "problem" that causes that Hughes stadium causes by being off campus can be solved if they implemented appropriate transforts to the area, there are no transfort to any foothills facility.	I already believe that no citizen of this city wants the traffic to be worsened.	
That not building it would be a fantastic mistake. Will there be some discomfort in the beginning about parking, traffic, and other logistical matters? Of course! But the benefits, tradition, student participation and the future enrollment will far outpace any short-term growing pains.	No questions, but I do have a statement. Stop listening to the old school faculty and/or alumni that like things "as is". It seems pretty apparent, as I read their concerns on Facebook and LinkedIn, they do not like the idea of a stadium on campus for fear of change and really nothing more than that an inconvenience that this may have on the 5-6 Saturdays a year.	Nope. Go RAMS and I hope to God that this stadium gets build on campus!
I support CSU. I want CSU to succeed as an institution and a community. I care about this place and consider it my home. I do not think that a new stadium will benefit this institution. It will not benefit the community.	I got the impression from the first committee meeting that Jack Graham, Amy Parsons and Tony Frank have already made up their minds on this issue. Frank charged Graham with exploring the feasibility of building a new stadium, and	

	<p>then Graham spent an hour talking about why we need a new stadium.</p> <p>This implies that they are not really interested in public engagement. They seem to have their minds already made up.</p>	
<p>I am in no way against football or college athletics. I think they are a huge and important part of the college experience and tradition. But at a time when money is so tight, I feel that academics should take precedence over athletics.</p>	<p>I think the fact that the public can voice their opinions should be advertised better.</p>	<p>I hope as well, that in planning to build a new stadium (or preferably renovate the existing one) the university will make it as environmentally friendly and as sustainable as possible.</p>
<p>I am supportive of the idea. We need something like this to bring excitement to campus and to Fort Collins.</p>	<p>Consider using the Hans Bleiker "SDIC - Systematic Development of Informed Consent" method (www.ipmp.com).</p>	<p>In the interest of full disclosure, I am a CSU alumnus and current part-time employee.</p>

Online Answers to Initial Feedback Forms from first Stadium Advisory Committee Meeting Fifth Posting

This document contains the data from March 11 to March 25.

Four other documents include the data from Feb. 3 – March 11 on the CPD website at www.cpd.colostate.edu

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I am excited about...	I am concerned that...	What additional information would you need to decide about this issue?
<p>... the prospect of an on-campus stadium.</p>	<p>... it be done right, with excellence and vision. Don't try to shoehorn it into a space that isn't right but is cheap.</p>	<p>I would like to see site location options with site plans and architectural renderings.</p>
<p>...raising money - private or public to put into academics...NOT football. CSU has had very little reason to warrant ANY new stadium, and no guarantees under this new coach that they'll get any better...Mr. Jim asked that CSU recruit bigger boys (Coloradoan article) to compete better in the league...HA!...this is where boys start thinking about steroids...Yea great game plan! NOT! KEEP OUR HUGHES!!!! It's a much better forum for games, more space to tailgate, better view of our dynamic foothills and right under the A.</p>	<p>It's easy to spend other people's money...what about future donations for sustainability? Are these donors' heirs going to want to keep contributing large sums after their parents have died, year after year, after year? Probably not. Where are our guarantees?</p> <p>The Power brokers want what they want, when they want it, and to HELL with Fort Collins citizens' opinions.</p> <p>Unless the muckie-mucks show a solid and transparent way to fund and sustain this wasteful project, they should be fired for even wasting time and money on a project that has no merit.</p> <p>SHAME ON THEM!!!! Big Egos are always interesting to watch.</p>	<p>...stop talking 'pie in the sky' ideas and SHOW US THE MONEY!!!</p>
<p>the idea of seeking increased funding for the University.</p>	<p>fans do not fill our existing stadium to capacity, so it is not clear there is a need for a new facility. Given the ongoing budget challenges, I would rather the University focus its energy on finding money for classrooms and teachers and not</p>	

	stadiums.	
I think this will be a great boon for local businesses close to campus and will draw in more fans than ever before. This is an opportunity for CSU to compete with some of the larger schools in the nation, all of which have stadiums located on campus.	NA	NA
Updating the stadium to bring some life back into the CSU football program.	A stadium on campus will take away the fun of tailgating at the stadium and then being able to buy beer inside of the stadium.	Where the stadium will be built? What will parking be like? How much is this going to cost and who is paying for it? What will happen to Hughes stadium?
	There will be no tailgating, this is what MANY fans come for. Traffic control will be much harder near prospect and college.	
Maybe better attendance but that requires a better team.	Traffic and parking flow on game days.	See above and would really want Detox center.
	building a stadium on campus will cause horrendous traffic and parking problems and will destroy the openness that early presidents worked to preserve. The money required to make this move would provide a transportation system to the current stadium to relieve traffic issues. Many academic enhancements could be added to the university, which is its primary mission, with the money a move would cost.	My understanding having taken dozens of official tours with the admissions office is that one of the early presidents gave the land west of Lory Student Center with the condition that it would remain open for student use. If you put a stadium there, more non-students attend games than students which would be against the will of the donor.
	With the cost of education rising, the emphasis should be on reducing cost while maintaining quality not on building a stadium. The purpose of a university is not to provide sports entertainment but to provide an education to the students. I don't believe that all the costs of this stadium will truly be provided by "private" donors.	
As Equipment Manager for 20 years, (1974-1994) I would have liked nothing better than to have the football stadium located near Moby Gym so that our 'home' games would not seem like 'away' games, due to the relocation of the equipment to	Hughes Stadium will become an albatross on the back of the Athletic Department if a new stadium is built on campus. It's not like we don't already have a facility to accommodate our football program. Also, if the new stadium can't be built near the present	Location and planned parking facilities.

<p>Hughes Stadium each Saturday. However, if the new stadium cannot be built near Moby Gym and the locker rooms, it will remain an 'away' game, and the equipment and logistics will have to be transported to the stadium anyway.</p>	<p>locker rooms and practice facilities, it will still require 'moving' to each game. Also, the matter of parking facilities would seem to be a vital concern to a new stadium. As a fan, I don't want to have to park in remote parking and take a bus to each game.</p>	
	<p>an on-campus location would produce unwanted traffic congestion on College Ave., Prospect, and adjacent neighborhoods.</p>	
	<p>I have read almost everything -- news articles, letters to the editor, etc. Most of my friends have an opinion about the stadium, probably 90% are against moving to campus.</p> <p>I have heard over and over again about the respect that everyone has for Tony Frank and because he has publicly supported the stadium, I keep thinking there is something about the stadium that I just can't see.</p> <p>If the stadium had originally been built into the campus plan, it would be wonderful but to abandon a well-functioning (I think) stadium and build a new one seems incomprehensible. Most of us are totally puzzled about where that stadium might go (and what might be lost). I love the open area to the west of the Student Center -- this should not be sacrificed for a stadium. I think about how hard it is for visitors to park on campus -- so many people I know just won't come to campus because of the parking problem.</p>	

	Why not take the money that would be spent on a new stadium and build a cover over Hughes. Think of the events that would be possible.	
the fact that a private party or parties is interested in investing in CSU.	the expense of an on-campus stadium is not the best use of resources, in light of the educational requirements of incoming students and in light of the need to develop and maintain world class research facilities and research projects for a variety of departments and colleges at the university. The value of a Colorado State University education does not lie in the success of its sports teams, but in the continued strong successes of its graduates. Having strong funding for excellent and far-reaching research projects, the graduate students who work on them, the facilities to support them, and the faculty to mentor, guide and teach them is incredibly more important than building an additional athletic facility, regardless of where it is located.	Would CSU engineers and architects design it? Would it include green design? Would it be energy efficient? Would it be truly multi use? Would admission be free to area residents? What kind of deal do the private investors get?
The benefits about walking to a football game.	It will not attract a lot more fans. I do not think CSU has the active fan base to make this work. For example, both my wife and I are active fans for our undergraduate school, but not CSU-because there is no large scale real community support. We are big fans-just not for CSU. We live very close to the school, think it is a great institution, we have the time, but we rarely go to basketball or football games-and neither do our friends.	My undergraduate school built a successful on campus football stadium and it did everything CSU is hoping for. The University of Montana's stadium is packed every game and we had 17 straight conference championships and many national championship contenders. The difference is that we had great fans before we build the stadium. "If you build it they will come" only works if you already have great fans who love to go to games rather than other options. In my opinion, the elephant in the room is we just do not have the fans. There are too many other cool things to do. My wife and I are CSU's target

		audience and we are apathetic.
	<p>There are several issues that come to mind that need to be taken into consideration.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Is the stadium going to be a total donation? 2. Will all revenue generated by events go to the CSU? 3. What will the impact of parking and traffic have on the local community? 4. Is there enough excess parking available in shopping malls to allow offsite distance parking to use buses to transport fans so the residents and businesses will have negligible inconvenience? 5. Is another stadium really needed or is this just another "jock" project that gives favored treatment to football? 	<p>I see far too much money spent on sport facilities across the nation when other facilities for the general public are neglected. This is from the local government to colleges across the nation. A lot of people are not into sports but would appreciate walking trails, picnic areas, to parks that are family friendly and would be used by a much larger number of people if they were available. This large group of people are generally ignored when new facilities are being considered and it isn't fair. Stadiums have a very big negative impact on the entire area as well as the favorable impact for a few.</p> <p>If this were to be used for a number of schools and events to keep it used FULLY year round and relieve the impact on a larger area it would be possible that it could be beneficial to the entire are, but if it is to b3e used just for USC football, it has no reason to be considered for the select few who would benefit.</p>
<p>Nothing about a new stadium really excites me. However, I do get excited if a new stadium will impact my childrens K-12 education in Fort Collins (see below).</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Increased traffic congestion and the impact on neighboring communities. We live on the west side of town between Prospect and Drake. Currently game day traffic going and coming from Hughes is not a problem, even if we forget there is a game that day. Traffic runs smoothly east to west through town. However, I can't imagine a situation where an on-campus stadium (especially multi-use) will improve congestion. Traffic will be entering the center of town from all directions. 2) The fate of Huges Stadium. In the early days of 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Traffic management plans 2) The fate of Hughes? 3) Realistic projections for operating costs (not just spin about how private donors will pay for the construction). 4) The functionality of the facility. Will it be a single use facility (football) or will it include a track? Will concerts be allowed and encouraged? Or, will Hughes be the example of what we can expect?

	<p>the stadium discussion, the new AD speculated that Huges stadium could be turned over to the city (or Poudre School District, PSD) for high school games. If there is one issue that will force me to become vocal about a new stadium it is foisting Hughes on to an already struggling school district. Even if CSU were to GIVE Hughes to PSD I would fight it. There is no way PSD could even begin to cover the maintenance costs for such a large facility. French Field is a great facility for local high school events. I don't want to see our city K-12 education suffer because of some grandiose plan of CSU's.</p> <p>3) The new stadium is a done deal. It is just a matter of figuring out where to put it with the least community resistance. Sorry to be such a cynic, but potential profits are simply too large for the university and developers to let this drop.</p> <p>4) As an alumni living in Ft. Collins, I have dreams of sending my kids to CSU. However, I don't believe the rhetoric that a privately funded stadium will not impact future CSU enrollment costs. The maintenance costs will be higher than Hughes and the only way I see the school covering them is to send it down to the students, especially if it is a single use facility. Future press releases about rising tuition and fees (especially if reasons include facilities maintenance costs) will impact my decision to send my kids to CSU.</p>	
	<p>spending vast amounts of money on a new stadium that we don't really need sends a clear message that CSU is focused on athletics more than</p>	

	<p>academics, no matter what our administrators may claim. Make no mistake that it would interfere with our ability to develop a strong reputation academically. Recently our department interviewed a very strong candidate for a tenure-track position. The candidate specifically said that she preferred CSU over some other schools because CSU lacks the "football-crazy" atmosphere at some other schools.</p>	
<p>out new coach for the football team and the possibility of having a winning football team again. We need to get the program back on track.</p>	<p>the university is making a big mistake by building a new stadium. We have a great stadium that we can not fill because of a lack of a following by fans. Build the team first, put money into doing that so you can build a follow and fill the stadium that you have. Building it on campus is not going to fill it unless you have the team that wins and brings in the fans.</p> <p>I am also concerned about the TV coverage that we have. Often you can not even get the games so it is hard to follow the team as a fan would like to. Please get us better coverage. Once again have to have a winning team!!</p>	
	<p>Speaking as a CSU alum, Class of 1970, I reject the concept of a new, expensive stadium as a colossal waste of money!</p>	
<p>Nothing excites me about having a new stadium.</p>	<p>I am concerned that a new stadium is a waste of money. I don't see the need for a new stadium. The current stadium off of Overland Trail has plenty of seating and plenty of parking. It's my understanding that It has been recently renovated. The stadium is used for more that football and the current location seems to be well suited for all the different uses.</p>	

	<p>The noise issue would affect more people in town and the extra traffic any time there was an event would have greater impact in town. The current stadium is not that far from the main campus and it is part of the foothills campus, at least I always think of it as part of the foothills campus.</p>	
<p>attending a CSU football game in a new on-campus stadium! I believe that it is absolutely the right move for this university and will elevate it to a higher level athletically AND academically.</p>	<p>issues with parking, traffic and noise will effectively be used by those who don't support this effort to stop it from being realized. I agree that these issues need to be addressed, but I believe that they can be dealt with and that they should not stand in the way of this project.</p>	<p>How will you effectively address the aforementioned issues with parking, traffic and noise?</p> <p>Can you really build this new stadium completely with private funding?</p> <p>What would be the target seating capacity for this new facility?</p>
<p>A new stadium and a winning football program that will excite the fans and promote CSU and Fort Collins.</p>	<p>I am concerned about congestion and parking around the stadium, cost overruns, and higher student fees in the future. I am also concerned that the taxpayer is going to get stuck with the bill if we get half way thru and find that there is not enough private funding to complete the project.</p>	<p>I would like to see realistic, reliable information about resources and see where this stadium will fit.</p>
<p>the opportunity to fight this project before it gets too far off the ground.</p>	<p>I am concerned about parking and traffic in my neighborhood (Plum & City Park Ave). I'm concerned about increased drinking in my area and the potential for out of control parties. I am concerned about destroying part of the existing campus to make room for this project. I am concerned that private money is going to be spent to build this stadium and it will not help our team win games or help attendance of fans.</p>	<p>I have already made my decision about this ridiculous project.</p>
<p>The future of CSU's future in athletics.</p>	<p>The CSU campus will become too crowded. With a stadium, where would people tailgate? The traffic</p>	<p>Parking options, traffic issues, no new student fees. The new athletic directors real agenda. What</p>

	<p>situation around the campus is not properly dealt with. Adding a stadium would be a traffic nightmare for the campus and local neighborhood. What would CSU do to the current stadium? If the campus is really trying to be "green" and friendly towards the environment, it needs to consider the impact of tearing down the perfectly built stadium next to the foothills and the cost. I do not think CSU needs an on campus stadium and as an alumni will not support it.</p>	<p>experience with college athletics does he have other than donating lots of money?</p>
<p>the future of CSU football and the NEED for a new Stadium.</p>	<p>Sonny will be lost after all that he did for the football program.</p> <p>I am concerned about parking.</p>	<p>The location on campus?</p>
<p>ideas that have been suggested by many to enhance Hughes stadium and its grounds, to use Hughes for additional diverse purposes, and to make the 5 K distance easier &/or fun.</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. on-campus stadium will cause UNBEARABLE traffic & parking problems. 2. it will damage perception of our (CSU & Ft. Collins) sustainability objective. 3. it will end up short of funds & require tuition increase & public funds 4. it may not accomplish its objective (win, fame, more fans, profit). 5. noise, traffic snarls, air pollution due to increased traffic, and rowdy drunken tailgating parties may make living nearby intolerable. 	<p>---</p>
	<p>If my husband and I have to park in a parking structure to attend a game, and</p> <p>then be expected to walk or ride a shuttle to the game, we wouldn't attend any</p> <p>more CSU games? If a game is scheduled on a Saturday afternoon, would</p>	<p>My husband and I live in the North side of Fort Collins well away we thought</p> <p>from the noise of town. We found out we didn't move far enough away as</p> <p>one night we were shocked with extremely loud booms from fireworks going</p>

	<p>any fan want to deal with the enormous traffic problem already existing in</p> <p>Fort Collins knowing there would be an additional 50,000 people loading our streets. If a train should just happen to stop on any one of Fort Collin's streets</p> <p>and hold up traffic for 15 min. like it does on any day in town, how would the</p> <p>many cars and trucks sitting and polluting our town feel when they are just</p> <p>trying to do their shopping in town and know it's worse just because some</p> <p>idiot decided to build a stadium on campus? If Hughes is just left to sit and</p> <p>rot after all the money spent to improve it, how do you justify just throwing</p> <p>away a perfectly good stadium knowing how well the traffic flows there before</p> <p>and after any game? If a stadium is built on campus, how do you justify all</p> <p>the noise from the cannons going off with every touchdown making being a</p> <p>homeowner in Fort Collins who pays taxes for years but can't enjoy his home?</p>	<p>off down in the campus area. It sounded like it was in our back yard it was</p> <p>so loud, and later found out it was to celebrate a fundraiser for the college.</p> <p>It wasn't the 4th of July but those fireworks were excessive, and we could</p> <p>only imagine what the people who lived around the campus felt about the</p> <p>noise. We have contributed money to CSU sports through the Ram's Club</p> <p>over the years, but are very saddened by all these efforts to build a new</p> <p>stadium on campus. The years we have attended games at Hughes were</p> <p>always perfect in every way with easy access, parking, great views, and we</p> <p>know our student who was in the marching band didn't need a new stadium</p> <p>to enjoy being at the games. We went into town afterward for dinner many</p> <p>times but if CSU builds a stadium on campus, the extra 50,000 or more fans</p> <p>trying to just get out of the stadium area would make things much worse.</p>
<p>I think this is a great idea - need to move forward!</p>	<p>What will happen with the present stadium?</p>	
	<p>Your FAQ implies that the stadium will draw non-</p>	<p>An comparative analysis on the types of students a</p>

	resident students. If so, won't these students share less sense of personal responsibility in the area? Will this attract crime, decrease property values, etc.. and drive responsible adult communities further and further from old town?	stadium attracts - their likelihood of success in school, attending graduate school, problems drugs and/or alcohol, committing crimes, etc. Finally, an analysis of where these students will live, and how CSU growth will affect residential property values.
Improving the football program. If it's deemed important to compete at a high level of (NCAA) Division I, an on-campus facility is needed. This will help recruiting and provide a worthwhile game-day experience for students, the alumni and supporters.	There's too much importance given to intercollegiate athletics. The emphasis has gradually changed from providing opportunities to students to emphasizing the business aspects.	
The limitations on existing campus open space where the stadium cannot be built.	There is not place on campus where the presence of a large structure such as a stadium will not disrupt the inherent beauty of the campus	None
alumni-connection efforts NOT related to the on-campus stadium farce.	this will hurt Fort Collins and divide the university and the town forever.	Time is what is really needed. Slow down. Build a team first while doing research. Once you have a winning team AND the research to support an on-campus stadium, then do an environmental impact study. If it all comes up positive, then consider a new stadium.
Nothing.	A stadium on campus will congest an already busy area. Because it wouldn't just be the stadium. Where are you going to find room for parking? Hughes has that convenient and gigantic dirt field in front of it that supplies ample parking. There is no such area on campus. And there is literally no place to put such an area of its equal There doesn't seem to be a place to put it other than the IM fields, which many students currently use frequently and enjoy on a daily basis. If a stadium was put there, they could only use that area once a week (provided they were football fans). It would also make club, intramural and varsity teams scramble for fields to play on.	Nothing. It's just a dumb idea. There's no good feasible solution for location and parking on campus. There's simply not enough room. Also, if you can acquire private funding for something stupid like an on-campus stadium, why not use such funds intelligently to say...fix up some of the decrepit buildings on campus? Instead of trying to build new things, focus on the ones already there in poor condition or in need of remodeling. The LCS isn't a bad start, but it doesn't even seem like it's that bad or in that old of a condition.
Getting back to a winning tradition.	With a new stadium on campus/in town, there are traditional activities which will be lost, such as...	Policies regarding the issues I am concerned with above.

	<p>Tailgating before the game will be curtailed to encourage purchasing from food and drink establishments and to increase crowd and traffic control.</p> <p>There will no longer be the ability to remain in the parking lot and socialize for a period of time after the game. Security would be compelled to clear the parking areas soon after the game.</p> <p>Parking fees will increase.</p> <p>Beer sales within the stadium will be halted because of the venue's location within the city limits.</p> <p>Prices for season ticket holders will increase.</p> <p>Our family's season ticket seats will be moved to a less desirable section unless we substantially increase our donation amount. We have held the same seats since 1988.</p>	
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	Game attendance will continue to be less than the stadiums capacity.	
NOT	<p>About building a complete new Stadium - what is wrong with the existing and why not just expand/update it. It is in a great location with parking and what not - speaking of which it will require room for parking.</p> <p>Also has it been discussed if going to build a new one to build on existing site - may take away some parking during construction and until the old one is torn down???</p> <p>Beings CSU is highly touted Engineering school make sure stadium is not built over an area that is going to create problems i.e. cracking of concrete due to movement [if I remember correctly about the existing one]</p>	SEE ABOVE
The fact that CSU wants to improve and expand.	This most current expansion will take away from the over-all openness and cleanliness of the college campus as well as the city of Fort Collins as a whole. That the 'small town' homey feel will be lost by putting a large concrete mass in the middle of it.	I would like to see a scal modal showing the stadium in comparison to the area surrounding it. I would like to know how parking and flow of traffic throughout the city would be affected. I would like to know how the surrounding community would be affected on game day.
there is a new energy focused on our football program... as a season ticket holder, it has been tough supporting the program the last several seasons..	we have not seen the program turn around before we uproot buildings, landscape, trees etc. to build a stadium	Show the commitment to long term costs being fully covered by private donors
Newer facilities Improved restroom and food options	<p>Moving the stadium closer to the city will increase the traffic impact.</p> <p>Diminished space for gathering before and after games.</p> <p>Decreased green space on campus.</p>	<p>How would traffic and parking be addressed.</p> <p>Impact on main campus and spaciousness.</p>

	<p>Moving away from the beauty of the foothills.</p> <p>Park your car to avoid the traffic - tailgate or hike</p> <p>We don't need to be another university of brick and concrete</p>	
<p>the fact that this incredibly misguided plan can still be derailed. We do not need a new stadium built on campus</p>	<p>This Illconceived idea might actually come to pass. We do not need a new stadium built on campus</p>	<p>No information. We do not need a new stadium built on campus.</p>
<p>recognizing the need to correct the original construction site for the stadium. Location does not "connect with the CSU campus" and its culture. There is little reason to stay there or even in Fort Collins after a game. Those not connected to the campus will likely drive home or outside the area of CSU. The west campus location is conducive to the before game tailgate parties and unlimited drinking, often finding students and fans partying well into the first quarter and not participating in the on field activities.....empty seats throughout the first quarter and often empty before the end of the 4th quarter. It's become a CSU student and fan culture. The stadium structure and foundation has been, and will be, a potential for frequent repairs/renovation due to soil conditions. And, the weather against the foothills is often unsuitable for good football playing conditions, at the same time the in town on campus weather is much more favorable.</p>	<p>The recently added stadium location that limits it's potential site makes the potential location very limited. Although, the new goals will be more appropriate for CSU and the community.</p> <p>While others, like myself have offered some sites earlier, most do not now meet the new "standards" and these same people need an opportunity to offer another input. This is why I have dusted off the maps and terrian visuals of the campus and started over with the following results></p>	<p>I would now like to ask about the feasibility of locating the stadium complex between University and W. Lake (north south) and S Mason and Centre Ave (east west). More specifically, the center line would be on W Petkins and East Drive. East Dr. and W Pitkins would become walkways without vehicles (except where need for very limited access to, or into, the stadium.</p> <p>East Drive will provide the connection from the Oval south to the north end of the stadium. West Drive could be completed as another connection.</p> <p>W. Pitkins could provide the connection from the stadium to the west where it would connect as a pedestrian walk way east a few hundred feet to the RR to the Mason Corridor. Motor vehicle traffic would be limited on W. Pitkins from College to Mason St, Mason St. to University, and University to College (around the track athletic fields).</p>

		<p>Key here is to remove some of the older smaller classroom/office type buildings, agriculture "hot houses", facility engineering buildings, garages and maintenance buildings. Replace these structures at new location with state of the art facilities that are badly needed.</p> <p>No new facilities would be impacted. Those nearby newer facilities will enhance the campus/stadium connection. The pedestrian walk/bike ways there will certainly add to the stadium connection</p> <p>A 450' x 600' footprint would then be available for the stadium likely</p> <p>constructed in a north-south direction, as is the present stadium.</p> <p>Advantages:</p> <p>Accessible from College Ave and Prospect by</p>
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		<p>motor vehicle</p> <p>Accessible by existing campus walkways</p> <p>Within 300 to 500' of the Mason Transfort Corridor station.</p> <p>The east facade of the stadium would be in direct westerly view of S. College traffic and just across the track facility. The CSU Performing Arts complex would be directly east across S. College. Making the new stadium an icon for thousands using S. College. Like Moby at the west end of the campus, the stadium will be the campus icon on the east end.</p> <p>The west facade would be viewed from W. Pitkins and there would be a foothill/mountain view to the west.</p> <p>The stadium would be about 900' from the Oval and directly connected by East Drive.</p> <p>Ties into the present pedestrian/bike pathways well.</p>
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		<p>Parking within a mile would include :</p> <p>300 vehicle lot adjacent to NW corner of stadium</p> <p>The new parking garage at W Prospect and Centre</p> <p>The 500 vehicle parking lots four blocks west on W. Lake</p> <p>Parking across S. College behind the former high school. Potential for added parking lots.</p> <p>Potential parking possible behind the Hilton Inn.</p> <p>Parking at Lory Student Center /Engineering (planned double parking garage in future).</p>
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		<p>There are no private resident houses within 1000 feet. Less impact from noise and lighting.</p> <p>No green space, park space or natural area is impacted.</p> <p>No mountain views impacted. The "A" could be a visible identity looking west along the Pitken walk ways. Connections to the library and Lory Student Center are an easy walk.</p> <p>Locker rooms/facilities in stadium would support the nearby track and field facilities about 300-400 feet away.</p> <p>Oldtown is only 1.5 miles north on S. College or one the Mason corridor.</p> <p>I do believe this location can be adapted to an incredible location and look forward to having such a beautiful to be so visible to the public at all times from S.College, Prospect, or from the redesigned/improved access ways that form several spokes from north and west of the stadium.</p> <p>*****</p>
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<p>the number of responses by the faculty that clearly point out why it is such a bad idea. The message should be obvious.</p>	<p>the decision is a done-deal. (why else would a group have an organization planning how to build something that supposedly hasn't been decided on yet?????) We aren't that stupid. Graham's comments on Thursday evening didn't clarify anything, either. I don't see anywhere on "main" campus where 8 acres could be used for a stadium - and the parking could anywhere near be accommodated (and yes, Ft. Collins will continue to grow in population). It doesn't take a genius to see the negatives. So far, I haven't seen any verifiable positives presented. I rest my case.</p>	<p>Why Hughes can't be used (revised) (probably at a lesser cost, too) to make way for a multi-purpose venue (you can make it a private concern, if you want - then the students would not have to pay for the continuing costs after the big bucks have been spend building it). Oh, and how much of the big money that waas just raised to finish off some on-campus things are from the same group of donors that are planning to fund the "stadium". Ugh!</p>
	<p>I am concerned that even though private funding will be used to build the new stadium, future students will be saddled with the maintenance of the stadium in perpetuity. Where will people park? Where will people tailgate? Hughes stadium is beautiful and the recent upgrades to the parking with the newly planted trees are going to mature beautifully over time. I think that having a stadium on campus would be a traffic and parking nightmare on game days. I would probably avoid the campus and Old Town at all costs on game days.</p>	

What is the most important thing you want the advisory committee to understand about your view of this issue?	What questions/concerns/suggestions do you have for the public engagement process?	Additional questions or comments.
I am supportive of the idea. We need something like this to bring excitement to campus and to Fort Collins.	Consider using the Hans Bleiker "SDIC - Systematic Development of Informed Consent" method (www.ipmp.com).	In the interest of full disclosure, I am a CSU alumnus and current part-time employee.
<p>PROVE undoubtedly that citizens want this stadium on campus, PROVE its sustainability. PROVE through an EPA study, the 'pie in the sky' ideas. PROVE that current/future students will NOT be paying for these muckie-mucks 'pie in the sky' fantasies!! PROVE that an ugly concrete monolithic arena is architecturally appropriate in a cramped space that is the last bastion of green space on our land-grant campus. How dare these out of towners come and rape OUR university land for their own self aggrandizement !</p>	<p>My question is why are the sub-committee meetings of the university group not public? My concern is that they hide information. My concern is that they have only been here just recently and don't understand OUR -FC's- history of town and gown. My belief is that THEY DON'T CARE. They only care about their jobs and the power it brings them individually.</p> <p>If this were not true, they'd still be looking at improving Hughes, instead of spending money stupidly...but then common sense, when it comes to other people's money is not so common...look at our gov't...these are gov't workers, after all. They are paid with yours and my tax dollars. Think about it. Who do you work for? When was the last time you got a raise?</p>	<p>This is about power and who gets to be in charge...not about good football.</p>
Please see above.	Make very clear to the public that this project will not be funded through student fees. Many of the people I have spoken with have expressed this as their biggest concern.	
That drinking beer and watching football are a huge draw to CSU football fans		
Put in a detox center to service the games, campus, community and northern CO; we've needed one for decades and it would be great	Good job so far, like the transparency and willingness to engage.	Detox Center please!

show of good-will and community-mindedness.		
<p>Environmental damage to the campus and the neighborhood</p> <p>Focus on athletics for a few rather than academics (I did my graduate work at CSU but I held season tickets to my undergraduate institution for decades. I'm not against athletics. I'm just against crowding a stadium into a space that isn't appropriate by any measure.) When my parents attended CSU (grads in '33 and '35) even the dairy farm was on the campus. But times have changed and the enrollment at CSU is too large and the neighborhood is too populated to have a stadium on campus. When my parents attended "Aggies", Prospect was the end of town.</p>		
The present congestion around the campus with the lack of parking and the disposition of Hughes Stadium.	It appears that the committee is doing all it can to get sufficient public input, but the hue and cry dedicated to the media is overboard. I would hope the public can allow the process to proceed without rancor.	Why now?
	Isn't this a waste of money based on the fact that the current stadium seems a good location - keep the tail-gating parties and other related crowd control off-campus - plenty of space.	
That a degree from CSU is only valuable when CSU delivers excellent education. Over-emphasis on football is so counter-productive. CSU has so many cutting-edge things going for it, at least at the College of Engineering, I'd hate for it to become just another football-based organization.	None at this time.	
In my opinion, the elephant in the room is we just do not have the fans. There are too many other cool things to do. My wife and I are CSU's target audience and we are apathetic.	Canvas the local neighbors. I live very close, but do not think it will affect my quality of life. The neighbors I talk to feel the same.	A new stadium is like the opera (or a work out gym). People say that want one, but they never go.

<p>1. What impact will it have on the entire community?</p> <p>2. Will the entire community benefit or just the athletic fans?</p> <p>3. Will there be a number of schools and events using the facility?</p> <p>4. Is there sufficient parking in other areas of the city that would be able to reduce the impact on traffic/parking in the immediate area?</p> <p>5. What kind of considerations will be made for the general community that aren't sports fans and would appreciate family venues more?</p> <p>6. Would CSU get all the revenue generated by the stadium?</p>	<p>See above</p>	<p>I have major concerns about the favored application for sports and nothing noted about making anything available for the general public. This happens far too often and it raises resentment in the community. As far as using it for "practice sessions", those who use it at night especially should have to pay by the hour a rental rate that covers all cost of maintenance and utilities for the time frame.</p>
<p>I lean slightly towards opposing a new stadium, but I could be convinced it is a good idea. I understand the economic arguments but feel like the press releases by CSU are too biased towards supporting the stadium.</p> <p>CSU must be completely transparent with this process. A new stadium will have major impacts on the community. Most of what I read is how it will be a boost to downtown. I don't believe it. There are major economic costs associated with this project. CSU needs to relay that information to the community just as openly and often as they do the benefits of a new stadium.</p>	<p>You must continue to encourage public input and participation. You must show true concern for the impact a stadium will have on surrounding neighborhoods. Public forums should continue to be announced in the Coloradoan and on local radio. The web address for a well populated website should accompany all public announcements.</p> <p>I was a bit concerned about the composition of the stadium scoping committee, but after reading your FAQs, I understand why you didn't include a stadium opponent. However, the public perception is damaging.</p>	<p>It seems to me the best economic argument for a stadium would be to build it on the west end of campus by Moby. The whole Campus West area is prime for revitalization, tailoring it to service the stadium crowd would be a huge benefit to the west side of town. I would believe that economic argument over the stadium benefiting downtown FTG.</p>
<p>I am deeply indebted to CSU for offering me access to some of the top people in my field. These professors chose to come to CSU for its location</p>	<p>I suggest that any monies earmarked for a new stadium be diverted instead to pay for additional lab equipment, recruiting top professors, research</p>	

<p>and for its growing academic reputation. In many cases they chose to come despite CSU's visibility as a football school.</p>	<p>opportunities for undergraduates, interdisciplinary research programs and other activities that will build CSU's legacy as an academic powerhouse.</p>	
<p>If you spend the money on a new stadium at this time you are making a huge mistake!!</p>	<p>I am afraid that the administration and committee have already made up their minds and will not listen.</p>	<p>No matter how this goes I will always continue to support our students!</p>
<p>I do not support the construction of a new stadium at CSU. CSU should support the education of students and not emphasize sports.</p> <p>Thanks.</p> <p>Don Schmidt</p> <p>dschmidt25@cox.net</p>		
<p>I am an undergraduate coordinator for the Biology Dept at CSU and I am involved in scheduling classes and finding rooms for those classes. One of the things we really need is a new Biology Building. We are extremely short of space for teaching labs, research labs and office space. And for the university we need more of the large lecture halls. We only have 26 rooms that will hold 100 or more students and only 7 of those 26 will hold 200 or more students and only 3 of those 26 rooms will hold 300 to 343 students. Our classes are growing and it is difficult to find a room for a large class. I was recently at a meeting for undergraduate coordinators and the one thing they were all in agreement on was the need for more of the larger class rooms. So if you want to raise money, raise it for a new building.</p>		

<p>I'm a grad student here at CSU and have supported the Ram Club in the past and plan to be contributing in the future as well. This bold venture is just the type of move that will keep me and many more alumna donating our hard earned money to this institution for years to come.</p> <p>GO RAMS!!</p>	<p>Please make sure that complete disclosure is adhered to and that all members of the public are given ample opportunity to make their voices heard.</p> <p>Keep the process classy and respectful of all opinions.</p>	<p>Can't wait (figuratively speaking, of course!) for game day in the new on-campus digs!</p>
<p>I am against it as a neighbor, a CSU football fan, and an alumni with a high income and the potential to give back to the CSU community.</p>		
<p>It's not cost effective. The current stadium works just fine.</p>	<p>None</p>	<p>The university should not be spending money on this process to determine whether it should or shouldn't build this stadium.</p>
<p>That the football program show evidence of a need for a new stadium.</p>	<p>As above</p>	<p>none</p>
<p>It's a poor idea.</p> <p>It will detract from academics, waste \$ that could better be spent in many other ways, and unnecessarily impact the environment and the surrounding residential neighborhoods.</p> <p>Instead, enhance Hughes. Good ideas I've seen include trolley & walk/run events to span the distance, more landscaping, more scheduled events there. Hughes is big enough and its beautiful setting up against the foothills is unmatched.</p>	<p>I'm concerned that it's just a ruse to make us THINK our opinions count when they really don't, as I felt with the change in the city logo.</p> <p>I think CPD presents a great concept, but of course its main purpose in the university setting is to give students experience.</p>	
<p>Fort Collins is currently thought of as one of the number one places to live</p>	<p>As we read all the comments from those involved in this endeavor who are</p>	<p>Will all the negative aspects shown to be of concern by the people</p>

<p>and raise a family. Community values and home ownership is one of the most important reasons people move to this town. If tax paying people of this town are forced to endure the many negative effects of noise pollution, wear and tear on our roads from all the construction trucks coming and going throughout the building of such a huge project, there will be a destruction of the good-will between the citizens and the college which in turn will cause negative real estate values in the surrounding homes and student housing.</p>	<p>pushing their agenda including the two students who called us recently to ask our support for CSU sports, there was nothing mentioned about the citizens or future students coming to CSU and how they might feel about these issues. All we read and hear is how it will make CSU a better known university and how it will help students who can walk to the games, etc. What is never mentioned is that there are many students who come here who never even go to a football game or who came to CSU because it was known for it's many good curriculum and excellence in so many fields. What are the percentages of students who actually come here for just the athletics?</p>	<p>of Fort Collins actually be considered, or has CSU already taken this too far already by putting the cart before the horse? It seems someone has promised this endeavor and in the process has offended the community with it's grandiose plans. Sometimes, new isn't always better when it does affect a whole community by destroying the streets, making traffic worse, and most of all destroying the peace and quiet of residents continually with noise from a stadium on campus. Having a new stadium isn't worth all that.</p>
<p>Ultimately I am concern in creating the right kind of growth. Attracting more students may be and easy sell monetarily, but I am concerned about the qualitative aspects of students attracted by a stadium, and their affect on Northern Fort Collins home owners.</p>	<p>It'd be nice to see more data up-front, particularly like how this would affect enrollment and sports franchising income.</p>	
<p>The location where Hughes Stadium is located is perfect and historical. It is only 2 miles from the</p>	<p>CSU is a learning institution first. Having the stadium as a prominent feature on campus</p>	<p>Build the stadium where Hughes Stadium is located.</p>

<p>campus. It has the roads and parking. If a new stadium is to be built, it should be built next to the existing stadium.</p>	<p>diminishes this.</p>	
<p>The university's actions so far embarrass me. Pushing blindly ahead while trying to create the illusion that this is a well-considered proposition is not something to be proud of. CSU students, alumni, and Fort Collins citizens are not stupid, so stop pretending.</p>	<p>I am concerned by the subtle pro-stadium bias found in the wording of this document and in the presentation at the CPD stadium forums. I would like to see neutral wording in further survey questions.</p> <p>I also notice that although there are concentrated efforts to gather information from CSU students, faculty, staff, and alumni, there are no concentrated efforts to gather information from CSU neighbors--specifically, not just as part of this vague online input process.</p>	<p>2014 is an arbitrary goal. Nobody will hold you to it. We would prefer it if you would take your time and approach this with reason rather than emotion--and in cases like this excitement is the most dangerous emotion of all.</p>
<p>IT IS A DUMB IDEA. And while it's conceptually appealing, it's just not really possible with our campus.</p>		
<p>We have held season tickets for almost 25 years. We have consistently supported Rams football teams, good and bad. We are concerned that increased prices and security will diminish the social experience we now enjoy. Many long time supporters may no longer feel the school has an allegiance to them and do other things with their time and money.</p>		<p>Thank you for the chance to voice my opinion.</p>
<p>Although no State monies will be used - with the economy the way it is right now it does not make a lot of sense to spend this monies. What is the reason for building a new one - a. is the existing one outdated; b. or are you looking to enlarge for capacity >if the later I believe CSU needs to improve on wins and you have standing room or people on waiting list for tickets before thinking about a new stadium!!!</p>	<p>SEE ABOVE</p>	<p>NONE at this time</p>

<p>I would really like them to know that bringing a stadium into the middle of a city may be more trouble than it is worth. More money than needs be spent. And may prove just enough of an eye sore and inhibitor of the flow of life and community in Fort Collins, that it repels community instead of encouraging it.</p>	<p>I would suggest that as much of the public be involved in the process as possible.</p>	
<p>Conflicted is a good word for you to have offered.</p>	<p>As a staff member, I appreciate having been asked for my input. Many community friends have asked my opinion and I have not discussed this with them.. I don't want my negative concerns to be misconstrued by non campus folks.</p> <p>I am not totally convinced that our campus can support this big, hairy, audacious goal- we have limited space and a close relationship with the neighbors... and we have messed up before (basketball ticket fiasco from several years ago) and we need to honor the "town" partner of our "gown"</p>	<p>I will follow this closely- and I trust Tony and the committee to do the right thing.</p> <p>thanks</p>
<p>Space around the stadium is very important for gathering, traffic, parking, and views of the foothills.</p>	<p>Please remember that many of us live too far away to attend public forums in person. Don't let our voices get lost</p>	<p>Good luck!</p>
<p>We do not need a new stadium built on campus</p>	<p>Forget the whole plan. We do not need a new stadium built on campus</p>	<p>We do not need a new stadium built on campus</p>
	<p>As soon as a new stadium is found acceptable to construct, recommend the earliest discussion on the present stadium uses that could temper some of the opposition. Maybe an amphtheatre, performing arts center with covered stage on the east or west side and seating opposite; alternative playing surface for lacross, field hockey, horse events, even could be the largest rodeo complex in the world.....etc.</p>	<p>I can be contacted by email @ airforceed@comcast.net for any clarification or discussion appropriate to need.</p>

<p>It is not complicated! It is governed by a concern for Fort Collins as a community, and CSU as a community, and the relationship between them. Even though the thinking appears to be a very much "done-deal" thing, do look at the broad effects of decisions that have, are being, will be made concerning this issue. You can see, too!!!!</p>	<p>How will the information be further gathered from the residents of the area and disseminated to them? The Center's comments (almost all of the over 300 of them negative) from the faculty was good, but I don't think most people will know, or be willing to sign on and read them all. How about some summaries in the paper, on social networking media, etc. etc.?</p>	<p>I have enough faith in people to think that stakeholders will, if it is not already a "done-deal", be able to look at all the ramifications, unintended consequences, false information, etc. and arrive at a reasonable conclusion-----that is "NO !"</p>
<p>I want the advisory committee to understand how wasteful it is to recreate something that we already have. Today's paper says the stadium would "energize and engage students, alumni and the greater Fort Collins community by bringing them on to campus for football games." 1. How can a stadium/building do that? 2. Why can't Huges do that? Take a fraction of what you would spend on this new stadium and use it to make Hughes what ever you think it needs to capture better football players and more television time so that we can boost out of state enrollment. I mean really, do players, television broadcasters, and out of state students think, "CSU's stadium isn't even on campus, I'm not going there." I think, a bigger draw might be, "Wow, they have a really GOOD team, I'd like to go there." First thigs, first.</p>		<p>I have a B.S., M.S. and Ph.D. from CSU. Don't Railroad this, or I will never give another dollar to CSU.</p>

Online Answers to Initial Feedback Forms from first Stadium Advisory Committee Meeting Sixth Posting

This document contains the data from March 25 to April 16.

Four other documents include the data from Feb. 3 – March 25 on the CPD website at www.cpd.colostate.edu

The initial meeting of the Stadium Advisory Committee was on Friday, February 3rd. The meeting was open to the public to observe, but time for public comment was not available. Those participating were provided feedback forms with several prompts to provide their initial opinions about the proposal to build an on-campus stadium.

70 of those forms were turned in at the end of the process. Those forms were scanned, and are provided in full in a separate document (<http://www.cpd.colostate.edu/first%20committee%20meeting%20-%20feedback%20forms.pdf>).

The same questions were provided online for others to answer, and this document includes all the unedited responses provided online.

We will update this document periodically as responses come in.

It was difficult to put all 5 questions side by side, so we have the first three questions first, and then on page 12, the last three questions begin. The six questions were:

1. Regarding the potential building of a new on-campus stadium at CSU, I am excited about...
2. I am concerned that...
3. What additional information would you need to decide about this issue?
4. What is the most important thing you want the advisory committee to understand about your view of this issue?
5. What questions/concerns/suggestions do you have for the public engagement process?
6. Additional/information and comments

The arguments, ideas, concerns, and questions expressed in these forms will be utilized to help design the public process and inform the stadium committee's decision. Part of the process will also be identifying and attempting to resolve factual questions and inaccuracies. Obviously we cannot attest to the validity of factual claims made on these forms. If you have a specific response or concern to a point made on one of these forms, you can email the CPD at cpd@colostate.edu. Note the page number if you are referencing something specific.

These input forms are also not necessarily representative of relevant stakeholders, as any online process is susceptible to individuals posting multiple times. This information is being used to get a sense of the issues, not to count how many people are for or against at this point.

	I am excited about...	I am concerned that...	What additional information would you need to decide about this issue?
1	Not excited at all, quite the contrary.	<p>1) waste of financial resources</p> <p>2) there is nothing wrong with the current stadium</p> <p>3) the rationales for the stadium are based on erroneous assumptions:</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">a) I seriously doubt any player ever decided to attend a particular college solely based on whether the college could offer a spectacular stadium or not. Players are looking for an entire package when they choose a school, such as the team having a good won-loss record, good coaches, solid academics, supportive student bodies, etc. Successful programs are dependent on good coaches, not good stadiums. Many highly successful football programs do not have either a new stadium or a stadium on campus. I attended the University of Southern California. The stadium was and still is off campus in an economically depressed area. What brought us as students to the stadium was the quality of the team, not the newness of the stadium.</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">b) whatever attraction boosters would feel over a new stadium would fade in a year or two. I don't think you can count on the stadium having a prolonged effect on attendance, unless you plan to build a new stadium every 5 years.</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">c) I don't think Old Town merchants or other city vendors are being financially hurt by the presence of Hughes stadium. An on-stadium campus may actually hurt vendors, due to</p>	<p>Prove me wrong about ALL of my concerns, and I would give it another look. Otherwise, I think the arguments against a stadium stack up WAY higher than the pseudo-arguments for a stadium.</p>

crowded parking (I doubt seriously people would walk from an on-campus stadium to Old Town--I for sure wouldn't!) and if it was difficult to get to my car, get out onto FC streets and with already a lack of parking in Old Town, I'd just go home and invite friends over to celebrate.

d) CSU had a moderately successful football program several years ago in which it was nationally ranked. I don't think the quality of the stadium or lack thereof had much to do with it. CSU's football program is struggling due to poor coaching and frequent coaching turnover. I think the entire "new stadium" ploy is a gambit to mask the real problems that exist with the coaching.

e) football programs do not attract students. They for sure do not attract parental support. If I as a parent am going to spend upwards of \$20,000 a year or more for my child's education, whether the school has a nationally ranked football team is not even on my list of priorities. Here's what I'm looking for and what I would encourage my child to look for--price, solid academic reputation, supportive and accessible faculty, a wide variety of student clubs, intramurals, activities, programming, etc., safe campus environment, availability and kind of financial aid support and off-campus recreational/social activities.

f) would maintenance costs come from private donors? Once the stadium is built, maintenance, repairs, etc. will become a huge money drain on the university's financial resources.

4) what would be done with Hughes stadium?

		The university has a responsibility to it. I have not read anything about this. Would it be abandoned? Would it be refurbished somehow? Sold?	
2	absolutely nothing about this proposal.	the outcome is already determined and the process is a charade. Why wasn't this question first? You lead in with excitement, which is biased already.	Nothing. I do not support it at all.
3	Nothing about this plan.	scarce resources better spent to further the academic and research mission of the University will be spent on an unneeded new stadium. I'm really disappointed to hear that this is being seriously considered. CSU cannot afford this.	I'd have to see objective information as to how this plan will improve academic and research facilities and support within the University.
4		<p>An on-campus stadium will increase traffic and disruption around campus. While the new stadium may hold 50,000 attendees, only 5,000 students live on campus. There is no practical parking for 45,000 additional people. Any parking arrangements using public transportation would be no more convenient than doing so for Hughes Stadium.</p> <p>While the initial cost may be paid for by private funds, the upkeep and maintenance will come from the CSU budget.</p> <p>What will happen to Hughes Stadium? And, where will funds come from for its de-commissioning or demolition?</p>	
5	Not really	<p>There are many ways to increase the public recognition, and to be honest, build an on campus stadium seems to be a bad choice. Detailed reason as follows.</p> <p>First, the reasons or benefits the university want</p>	<p>Not really, but I think the university should provide following information.</p> <p>1. The university should prove that our university can only draw funds by on campus stadium, not by raising funds for other already competitive</p>

		<p>to achieve or have suggest that we need to have stronger athletic program, not an on campus stadium.</p> <p>CSU has excellent female volleyball and nice basketball team which give the university a good starting point in investing athletic programs. There is a university only known by its excellent basketball team, so football is not the only sport to reach the goal.</p> <p>Not to mention</p> <p>1. there is no correlation between an on campus stadium and a good football team.</p> <p>2. we already spend tons of money on football, and the university need to</p> <p> prove we can have a good football team first before asking something</p> <p> like on campus stadium. In fact, if we can have a strong football team, all</p> <p> the benefits will come naturally even without the on campus stadium.</p>	<p>sports, by just trying to have a nicer football team or investing more on either education or research.</p> <p>2. The university should show that making sports other than football team the top in the nation cannot draw public attention.</p> <p>3. There were groups did apply activities in old stadium but was declined seemingly by noise consideration. Then how come a new stadium will not encounter the same problem?</p> <p>4. CSU should show that the low alumni donation ratio is due to we don't have on campus stadium , not because of the dissatisfaction of the education quality.</p>
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		<p>In my opinion, spend relatively less money making our already good sports become excellent and gradually improve the football team performance is the way to go.</p> <p>Second, it's true that quite a few universities absorb lots of money from its football team. However, never does CSU show how much was these money actually wired to improve the academic performance as well as the education quality. CSU also failed to explain why there are also lot of universities still get funds due to their outstanding academic achievement while their football teams suck.</p> <p>Athletic program is not the only way for us to be seen by people in this country. Don't forget the two fundamental purpose for the universities, education and academy. These two aspects are also big considerations for people looking for higher education. A better access for education and learning as well as nice academic performance are not only able to attract more students, but also consolidate the relation between students, alumni and the university.</p> <p>For a people being serious for his/her education, the education quality, the learning resources and the academics are definitely more important considerations, and these should be the focus for</p>	
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		<p>advertising our university, unless we are not confident of the quality of our education and the researches.</p> <p>In conclusion, there are apparently ways other than building an on campus stadium to reach the same goal, but none of them is studied or proven to be fail. I think this kind of attitude is reckless and non-respectful to students, faculties and staffs.</p>	
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7	Hughes Stadium is finally looking like a real stadium. Recent additions and tree growth have been excellent. Plenty of room for future expansion and multiple uses without having to displace anything else.	Placing the proposed stadium in the academic area will waste valuable land on the main campus for academic use in the next 50 years. It is selfish and wasteful for us to use the land and materials to duplicate a stadium.. Has anyone calculated the amount of cement required and the BTUs to heat that much limestone let alone the fuel needed in construction? Global warming?	Parking issue: Don't count on Mason Street Bus Rapid Transit. (I have property touching the line.) There are only going to be 450 shared parking places in the 5 mile route and most of those are shared with other businesses. There will be about 12 stations. The buses are only going to run every 10 minutes and carry 40 people. Also, they will block the traffic on cross streets north & south every 5 minutes. (The bus driver will have control of the crossing signals.) Has a traffic engineer figured out what this will do to Prospect and other streets near the campus? Bus accident on Prospect on game day??
8	My son will be a freshman at CSU next fall. I also graduated from CSU	Building the stadium close to campus will cause crowding and a congested atmosphere.	Just exactly where are sites being considered for the stadium
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10	I believe a new stadium on campus would be a tremendous idea as it will add dimensions to the campus and surrounding area. As a parent of a current student, the attraction of an on site stadium allows my student to attend games and events easier and strengths her enjoyment of football. I believe the new stadium can be used for other events whether sporting or other events.	My only concern is that need for increased police presence within the campus during events. I have not seen a police officer at any time during my visits to campus this school year. I believe an increase in staff is required.	I would like to see cost breakdowns as they relate to direct student and services impact.
11	keeping HUGHES!	wasting money, energy, limited green space on building a shiny new on campus stadium is a bad call. Hughes works fine, it's beautiful, nestled against the mountains, safe routes to/from on game days and ample parking. Don't we invest enough energy and money on athletics.	

		Relocating to campus will clog major arteries like College Avenue on game days for everyone in the community. Neighborhoods surrounding the campus will never be the same - not fair to this community! No on the new on campus stadium.	
12	the possibility of re-thinking our sports program. Let's face it, football is going the way of boxing. It is increasingly linked to a culture of violence (the weekend beatings should be a heads up to all of us), and the lawsuits for long-term head injuries are just starting. We should find another sport or sports for promoting pride and unity.	We want to call ourselves a green university. It is hard to reconcile building a new stadium with abandoning Hughes Stadium. We should live by the "Re-use, re-cycle, renew" slogans we preach.	Why football? Has anyone thought about the future of football?The alternatives to it as our focus sport? What are the environmental impacts of abandoning Hughes Stadium? Of building a new stadium? What are the real costs to CSU and the impact on funding for teaching and research?
13		...too much emphasis is being placed in improving the football program. The public funds that would be used for the stadium should be put into academics; such as, improving/renovating classrooms, renovating/rebuilding dorms, building another library (preferably one that is open 24 hours and has large study areas/tables, not couches and lounge rooms- we can do that at home). I do not understand why there is so much emphasis on alumni and what evidence supports the claim that this new stadium would increase their attendance??? Further, as an out-of-stater, one of the aspects that attracted me to CSU was the football stadium at the base of the foothills. My tuition has drastically increased from year-to-year to fund unnecessary projects, like additions to the rec center and now building an unnecessary football stadium. I cannot stress enough that CSU needs to put their attention in academics; the new behavioral science building is amazing but we need at least "15" more building with the same resources available to them. Further, it is mind blowing that a university of our size has one library and it is not even open 24	

hours. We need places to study, THATS WHY WERE HERE! Also, the library renovations are asinine to say the least; we don't need more couches and lounge areas- we need large study tables- currently, there are always couches available but never any tables. Students come to campus to study and eliminate the distractions we find at home. We come to campus in hopes of finding a large study table to accommodate all the materials we are utilizing in furthering our academics. The beneficial claims laid out by the stadium committee are simply that- claims- they have no reasons or evidence to support them. The claim that traffic will not be an issue is preposterous, traffic will be coming from every direction to the middle of town; Hughes stadium has traffic moving to the foothills and is more than accommodating for parking. As one of few stadiums in the nation that is off-campus sets us apart from other universities. Tailgating in the field with cops on horseback is unique. I believe that eliminating the ability to serve alcohol at games is going to drastically decrease the school revenues gained from sale and will also drastically decrease the amount of students and alumni (since they are so greatly emphasized as new-stadium beneficiaries) that attend games. CSU is not known for athletics, we're known as a leader in "going-green"- CSU faculty and our president need to stop promoting their own self-interests and [apparently] get to know their students better. Moreover, a new stadium threatens years of tradition, takes away from our uniqueness of having a stadium off campus and at the foot of the beautiful "mountains", and places revenues that should be used for academics in athletics. I would also like to add that if CSU does not need to draw attention to a

		<p>football team that is known for violent and immoral actions against their fellow students (need I mention they suck); why reward them for their ongoing atrocities (are you beginning to see the stark contrast between football players and the rest of CSU student population)?? Lastly, please, please explain your emphasis on making alumni happy and why them physically being on campus would raise their support (and you believe, their donations); shouldn't you place your attention on current student who are paying thousands of dollars for higher education.</p>	
14		<p>This has been stated.....</p> <p>How can CSU afford a new stadium during a time of budget cuts and rising tuition?</p> <p>"it would be paid for with private money and without funding from the state of Colorado, tuition, student fees or taxes"</p> <p>So workers employed to maintain stadium (clean, fix, repair) would be hired by a private company?</p> <p>This scenario seems not legal according the state constitution.</p>	

	What is the most important thing you want the advisory committee to understand about your view of this issue?	What questions/concerns/suggestions do you have for the public engagement process?	Additional questions or comments.
1	It's just a bad idea. Even if the economic climate were much more positive, it would still be a bad idea. It's being proposed for all the wrong reasons and would not do what is being advertised that it would do.	I'm concerned that it's a done deal and that all this "public engagement" is just window dressing.	
2	CSU acts irresponsibly when it comes to the	It feels very much like a done deal.	Maintaining the status quo (retaining Hughes)

	<p>greater Fort Collins community. They do what they want with disregard to the consequences outside their property boundaries. The people wanting this are the ones least likely to be negatively affected by it.</p> <p>Increasing enrollment without providing adequate student housing on campus only serves to further degrade neighborhoods that are near the campus. CSU does not hold its students accountable for their unacceptable behavior off campus.</p> <p>Tony Frank should be required to live in the original president's house at Shields and Laurel.</p>		<p>will do no harm. Building a new stadium on campus will definitely cause harm with few and questionable benefits.</p> <p>A virtuoso violinist can make a lesser quality violin sound magical. A crummy violinist, however, will still sound crummy even if playing a Stradavarius. I.e., a new stadium will not create a winning team.</p>
3	<p>My wife was in the last graduating class that used the old stadium beside College. At that time people couldn't wait to move to Hughes Stadium. It's 40 years old now but still works.</p> <p>I strongly oppose this proposal.</p>	<p>Please get input from all sides of this issue. Look at the schools that have sunk millions of dollars into athletic facilities - at the expense of support for academics. Look at the impact that spending scarce resources on the wrong end of the university can have on the overall health of the school. This is wrong.</p>	<p>I've spent 30 years in academia and have seen first hand how alumni financial support is thrown at athletic programs at two major universities. It does NO good for those outside the athletic arena and diverts funding from more urgent needs within the university. There is only so much money out there that can be donated. Money to athletics means no money for the real reason a university exists.</p>
4	<p>Please require that all "benefits" promised by supporters have some actual statistics and/or data from other universities to back up their grand claims of benefits, both monetary and</p>		

	<p>scholastic benefits of a new on-campus stadium.</p> <p>This is forcing a new stadium in an already congested area, likely increasing local traffic and congestion problems on game days. This is also building a very expensive, large structure that will arguably be used fewer than 10 times a year.</p>		
5	<p>The fundamental purposes of university are education and research, not athletic program. If the university has time and effort in raising funding for the on campus stadium which guarantees nothing, why not put those efforts in finding money for better education ?</p> <p>University like Harvard or Cambridge, the professor usually don't go through the lecture much but spend lots of time discussing the material in depth. We know we are not those super smart students , but shouldn't the university pay attention on finding new ways and resources in teaching or learning which making students understand the lectures or materials more easily? Even more important is helping students developing self-education ability.</p> <p>I can not see why an on campus stadium can help student achieve their education goal. Ya...I know there's a mantra repeating "on campus stadium will attract money" however that statement is basing on lots of "if" and "maybe"</p>	<p>I attended public forums and I also looked at the FAQ of the on campus stadium. I am so worried about that there is not a word addressing the weighting of the public input in making the final decision.</p> <p>For example, if there are about 70% opposition in public opinions, will that stop the project or not. Or actually the committee can turn over the public opinion even the opposition opinion is around 99% ?</p> <p>The university should answer this question.</p> <p>It's just like a syllabus saying that "reading quiz will take into account in your final grade", and then a natural question will be how much it is account for? 0.5% or 50% ?</p>	<p>1. Substitutions for on campus stadium, such as investing more resources in other area should be considered and make it a choice for public. We should have choices other than having or not having an on campus stadium.</p> <p>2. I think the approach the university takes in determining having or not having a new stadium is not correct.</p> <p>We should ask "should we" first ? If yes, then we ask "can we?".</p> <p>I see that the March 29 meeting mainly discusses "where is the possible position", "where will be the money from", and that's so annoying. If we don't want it, why bother discussing these stuff?</p> <p>Also, in one day's Today@colrado State, there's a topic about CSU graduate program ranking among one of the best 100 in US. CSU is happy for the academic achievement but actually, I don't see the administration appreciate that. The administration always talk about "dream big" and using merely hand-waving arguments for the</p>

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7	My family has watched CSU grow for 47 years.	Who is going to pay for the care of the	Where will the displaced campus facilities be

	<p>The conversion of FCHS to CSU UCA was a wise and efficient use of land and facilities. A second stadium on the main campus is not.</p> <p>Even though there will be private money for construction, who will be paying for Operation and Maintenance? Will there be private money for an endowment fund for the next 50 years?</p>	<p>abandoned Hughes Stadium?</p> <p>Purchase? Maintenance?</p>	<p>located?</p> <p>Do students come here for a larger stadium and a winning sports team or for the wide diversity of excellent academic staff and facilities?</p>
8	<p>One reason my son chose CSU over CU Boulder is because of the open feel of campus. All of the buildings aren't packed in so tight. I think the stadium should stay where it is.</p>		
9	<p>It would set a terrible example for our children in the following ways:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - this was proposed unilaterally without basis in any long range comprehensive plan for CSU. It is the seat of the pants approach as opposed to long range planning. - a unilateral proposal such as this is a bully proposal thrust upon this region. We need to make sure our athletes leave their competition, bully mentality and brawn at the field and not employ it in a socio-political context. - it teaches people to throw away perfectly good infrastructure for luxury not greatness. 	<p>-I hail from the federal gov't, where NEPA requires a clear purpose and need statement for each project. I've written many such P&N reports for the Federal Highways Administration, U.S. Forest Service, the B.L.M and others across the country and I am stil</p>	<p>- How will the stadium affect the surrounding area in terms of noise and traffic? Surely Fort Collins has some noise ordinance. If there are night games, what about noise.</p> <p>Are you familiar with the Abilene Paradox? (google it) I think it applies perfe</p>

	- it shows our children win-lose tactics, again as in sports. These process did not even consider alternatives such as improving Hughes.		
10	I understand the concerns of the student body, administration and the community however; economics and safety must play a strong role in supporting CSU.		
11	Read all of the above		
12	CSU's future, specifically the environmental implications of building a new stadium -- for a sport which increasingly has a lot of negatives. The on-campus stadium proposal is the opposite of visionary.	See above: The future of football Environmental impact	
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Online Answers to Initial Feedback Forms from first Stadium Advisory Committee Meeting Seventh Posting

This document contains the data from April 16 to May 25.

Six other documents include the data from Feb. 3 – April 16 on the CPD website at www.cpd.colostate.edu

The initial meeting of the Stadium Advisory Committee was on Friday, February 3rd. The meeting was open to the public to observe, but time for public comment was not available. Those participating were provided feedback forms with several prompts to provide their initial opinions about the proposal to build an on-campus stadium.

70 of those forms were turned in at the end of the process. Those forms were scanned, and are provided in full in a separate document (<http://www.cpd.colostate.edu/first%20committee%20meeting%20-%20feedback%20forms.pdf>).

The same questions were provided online for others to answer, and this document includes all the unedited responses provided online.

We will update this document periodically as responses come in.

It was difficult to put all 6 questions side by side, so we have the first three questions first, and then on page 13, the last three questions begin. The six questions were:

1. Regarding the potential building of a new on-campus stadium at CSU, I am excited about...
2. I am concerned that...
3. What additional information would you need to decide about this issue?
4. What is the most important thing you want the advisory committee to understand about your view of this issue?
5. What questions/concerns/suggestions do you have for the public engagement process?
6. Additional/information and comments

The arguments, ideas, concerns, and questions expressed in these forms will be utilized to help design the public process and inform the stadium committee's decision. Part of the process will also be identifying and attempting to resolve factual questions and inaccuracies. Obviously we cannot attest to the validity of factual claims made on these forms. If you have a specific response or concern to a point made on one of these forms, you can email the CPD at cpd@colostate.edu. Note the page number if you are referencing something specific.

These input forms are also not necessarily representative of relevant stakeholders, as any online process is susceptible to individuals posting multiple times. This information is being used to get a sense of the issues, not to count how many people are for or against at this point.

I am excited about...	I am concerned that...	What additional information would you need to decide about this issue?
Our current stadium and its singularly beautiful location.	Old town and the CSU campus are not designed to handle the kind of traffic a new stadium would result in; the effects on local home owners; yet more urban decay left on the southwest part of Fort Collins if Hughes is abandoned; the inevitable trickle down of costs to student fees in order to maintain the much larger facility; parking; loss of current student housing and/ or green space; an eyesore right in the center of town.	Identified location and drawing of the potential stadium. Once location is decided, impact studies and community polling.
	we will make a huge mistake by letting this proposal go through. We have a great stadium already, why waste all this time and money on something we already have? I am also concerned that the people for building a new stadium are only thinking about bettering our "status" nationwide. If they want to do this, they don't need to build a new stadium, they need to focus on bettering the players on our football team. I would be sad to see our team get gifted a new stadium when they have currently embarrassed CSU by making national news for violence more that once this year.	
A new stadium and all of the benefits it will bring.	Most other students who oppose the stadium are severely misinformed, and would change their minds if they had accurate information.	I'm am wholeheartedly for the stadium.
The prospect of an on-campus stadium. I believe it will energize and engage the CSU family, promote CSU on a national scale, and result in positive fiscal impacts on the City of Fort Collins.	Opposition to this great idea has been so vocal.	I would like to see all proposals and information concerning impacts prior to making up my mind completely, but I like the idea as it is now.
The opportunity to think outside of the box as it relates to the future of CSU's athletics and	The university is not considering what an asset it has in the existing stadium and feels the need to	Actual alternatives to an on-campus stadium (i.e., exploring a new on-site booster/alumni

<p>facility programming.</p> <p>I'm also excited to know that the university sees the opportunity to capitalize on the Mason Corridor and realizes its role in the community's economic strength.</p>	<p>build new instead of finding creative solutions to enhance what it already has.</p>	<p>center at the existing stadium location, enhancing multi-modal transportation to the stadium, renovations to Moby Arena, etc) would make the community much more excited about the future of CSU athletics, rather than just a simple yes/no discussion about whether an on-campus stadium will be built.</p> <p>The process so far has been very polarizing. If the university worked to develop a vision and path to get there, based on real options and alternatives, the community would be much more supportive and energized about the athletics program.</p>
<p>Celebrating CSU athletics in a world class stadium on par with the excellence throughout the rest of the university. I am also excited to bring my wife and kids to games with me since they always come now and we can spend some time and money in Old town after the game instead of just driving back to Denver. I also am excited to show my kids Allison Hall, where their mother and I first met.</p>	<p>Tailgating will require much more logistics. I am also concerned that we ensure the facility is used for our other sports teams too, like lacrosse and rugby and soccer.</p>	<p>Where can I send my donations?</p>
<p>National respect a new stadium could generate. New traditions that will be started with a new stadium.</p>	<p>A new stadium is built and the college football landscape changes such that CSU must move to a lower division.</p>	<p>What are the long term plans for conference affiliation and how does a new stadium help with these plans.</p>
<p>Being able to visit a beautiful, modern stadium on campus, whether it be for football games or other events.</p>	<p>Those against the on campus stadium do not have CSU's best interests at heart.</p>	<p>Where the funding would come from, and how the potential stadium designs.</p>
<p>the possibility of an on campus stadium. The opportunity to take my kids to a game and walk with them through the campus showing them how great CSU is. Being able to walk to local shops and places to eat and not have to worry about finding multiple parking places.</p>	<p>there may be an overrun in costs. What happens if not enough money is being raised to fund the project.</p>	<p>I think it is a great idea and really appreciate the university and its leaders transparency through the process.</p>

<p>CSU academics and research, NOT sports.</p>	<p>Giving into the desires of donors to pull the focus of the university away from academics and research will, in the long run, cause great harm to the university.</p>	
<p>The green possibilities this stadium could offer over Hughes. There will be a need for less parking because students will not have to commute. The new stadium could also partner work with local bike groups to promote bike rides to the game. Imagine a new Belgium sponsored biking tailgate at the stadium. Both CSU and Fort Collins have attempted to showcase its bike friendliness what a great way to showcase our commitment to a green planet by creating a truly green stadium for a green university.</p>	<p>Uneducated people with no connections to CSU will have a say in what university decides.</p>	<p>None. build it and I will come and donate.</p>
<p>this issue being behind us, regardless of the decision.</p>	<p>many on the committee have already made up their mind and/or may be swayed by the seductive presentations from Populous and lose objectivity.</p>	<p>I don't need additional information at this time. I'm a CSU grad and my allegiances aren't tied to a stadium, conference, or location. I may not donate to the Ram Club anymore but my butt is in the seat at all football and women's b-ball games, and many men's b-ball and volleyball games. Support comes in many flavors.</p>
<p>The fact that CSU is opening up the decision-making process before plowing ahead.</p>	<p>Money speaks louder than environmental health, for human and non-humans.</p> <p>Student fans are no longer the main focus of the football program.</p> <p>Selling the virtues of the football program is considered an effective way to bring more out-of-state tuition and donations to CSU. Maybe it's true, I just don't like it!</p>	<p>How much would it cost to enhance Hughes Stadium, make it "greener" and more hi-tech? How much would a shuttle system cost (or bring in)?</p>
<p>Keeping Hughes!</p>	<p>This on campus stadium is a horrible idea. I will NOT DONATE to CSU if this stadium is built. I feel that CSU wants to attract out of state students but instead of putting money into our</p>	<p>None, I do not support it and will not support it.</p>

	academics they want to have a new shiny stadium to bring in students. CSU doesn't have a winning football team and this is not going to make them any better. What does CSU plan to do with Hughes if they build this on campus stadium? Are this "athletic donor dollars" going to pay for more parking and replacing the buildings that are taken down to be replaced with the stadium?	
Not for a second.	A grand mistake. Big bad idea!	A bad idea. None.
the fact that you are considering public and staff opinions	<p>- traffic around campus and downtown will be HORRENDOUS on game days.</p> <p>- where the stadium could be on campus, since parking and new building space is already at a very high premium - Campus needs more space now as it is!</p> <p>- CSU's priorities should remain</p>	None. If something needs to be built, we have a fantastic stadium location. Better yet, let's renovate rather than rebuild
Nothing to do with this project. Its another waste of money; although private dollars will start the ball rolling, inexorably it will become a public expense (look what happened with the new stadium at Rutgers, the state university of New Jersey).	The value of my home will decrease. The damage to my property from game revelers will increase. The noise levels in my neighborhood will increase. Traffic will increase. Parking will become even more scarce. And CSU will not care at all about hte impact they are having, as long as they bring in more money (which is a questionable prediction).	I have already decided -- this stadium is an awful idea that will negatively impact the neighborhoods surrounding CSU as traffic and parking issues, property damage, litter, noise problems, and decreased property values will result.
<p>Having a on campus stadium and a winning team/</p> <p>we have season tickets but always sit on the student side It's so much more fun. All the negative Nancy's on the adult side get old :>) really need to get behind the team. Have been sitting on the student side since 1972. Love interacting with the kids. Just like I love to cruise around campus and I try to get all the alums I</p>	there won't be a place to tailgate. that is part of the experience and important. Also concerned they will ban the beer sales. I hope that doesn't happen. I will just share that the year Dr. Pennly (sp) took away the beer that was the drunkest I've seen the students in years. Don't do it. Most kids run out of money before they are drunk on stadium beer. When the games are good the beer lines are nill and it's nice for the older crowd to kick back and enjoy a beer and	I've already made my mind up and am for it. Ive been trying to be an advocate but I can't believe how angry people are about this. Of course the majority of them never go to the games and have no idea on OLD that stadium is. I've walked around campus and seen all the money that has been spent on academics and think it's outstanding. What Al Yates started .. tony Frank and Jack Graham are continuing.. I hope they don't give up the battle.

<p>drag (and it has been "drag them" the last few years) to the games to campus but we never seem to make it. When they do go they are blow away about how beautiful and how much it has changed. I think it would be great to get more everyone move involved in campus</p>	<p>the game . Of course that I'm concerned about traffic congestion and the cost of tickets going sky high to pay for things</p>	<p>It would help for them to find a purpose for the old Stadium perhaps</p>
	<p>I just read a story about the relationship between athletic success and funding for academics in this story: http://www.insidehighered.com/news/2012/04/27/athletic-giving-crowds-out-academic-donations-research-finds.</p> <p>The most telling quote is just below and this reflects my primary concern about such a large investment of dollars for athletics:</p> <p>"A rise in athletic giving equals a decrease in academic operating dollars (academic giving minus deferred gifts), the researchers say, indicating that athletic giving crowds out academic giving. For every \$1 increase in athletic giving, the current operating dollars restricted to academic purposes decreased by \$1.40."</p>	
<p>The University and the athletic director are interested in getting back to a winning record.</p>	<p>The new stadium is a huge waste of money. There is already a beautiful stadium in a prime foothills location.</p>	
<p>The proposed stadium NOT being built on campus OR in town</p>	<p>Traffic and congestion will make the town unattractive during games-glad I am moving to Loveland. Hughes stadium is in a beautiful</p>	

	<p>location, just rebuild there. Parking is already adequate at the current location! WHERE are you going to have people park? At the current stadium location and get bussed to the game? Duh!</p>	
<p>the stadium idea is just lame</p>	<p>This unnecessary structure will fundamentally change the neighborhoods around CSU. Residents, not just students, live in those areas, like living in town and the traffic, the increased noise and activity would be felt in all those surrounding areas.</p> <p>There are, to me, better uses for that money. You know like better access to education. With constant tuition increase could not that money be better served off setting those increases.</p>	
	<p>As many have already noted, building a stadium will not necessarily result in a winning team. We have had winning teams under excellent coaches in the past at Hughes Stadium. Let us fill that stadium to capacity game after game before we abandon it.</p> <p>Colorado State University values scientific research. Where is the research that tests the hypothesis that an on-campus stadium automatically produces a winning team and attracts more out of state students?</p> <p>As an economist, I must also ask what it will cost to attract an additional student through the construction of a stadium as against the cost of recruitment using other means?</p>	<p>Actual facts supporting the contentions and dreams that are used now to support the proposal. Answers to the question of why these dreams are not achievable in other ways within the existing facilities at Hughes.</p>
<p>The only thing I am excited about is the very slim</p>	<p>This stadium will be a waste of time, resources,</p>	<p>Exactly where the university will get the funds to</p>

<p>possibility you are actually listening to our opinions on the matter and might scrap this project altogether.</p>	<p>and space. Also, I am concerned by the fact this shows an obscene misunderstanding of what our university's priorities should be. We are first and foremost an educational institution, but it is not for the sake of education that you are pursuing this stadium or the funds necessary to build it. Any excuse to the contrary, like the idea of attracting new teachers, is a ridiculous stretch. If CSU is going to such lengths to secure private funding, why is this not being at all allocated to anything that has to do with the quality of the education we are paying for at CSU?</p> <p>I am also concerned that all the proposed sites would require demolishing current building, which will need to be rebuilt elsewhere, almost surely at the students' expense. Moreover, if loans are pursued at all to construct the stadium, won't the students be footing the bill to pay them back down the road, like we are still doing for Hughes?</p> <p>Ultimately, I am very concerned this proposal may go through at all.</p>	<p>demolish and rebuild current buildings, if any loans will be involved, and if so how they will be paid back? I want to know what will be done with Hughes stadium. If it will be changed or demolished, who will fund that and how? How much has the surrounding community, who will absolutely be significantly affected by the construction and existence of the stadium, been consulted? Do they have any say in the decision? Event at CSU now can sometime be heard in Old Town and beyond, any event at this stadium will be just as audible and disruptive, if not more so.</p>
<p>not much. Win more than a couple of push-over football games a year and I might become more energized.</p>	<p>the new stadium might be horseshoed into a site that will provide inadequate parking.</p> <p>A little history: The University of Oregon used to play football at Hayward Field, located on campus. When it came time for a new football stadium, the powers in place at the time realized</p>	<p>What prompted the AD to come up with this idea?</p>

	<p>that the on-campus site would not do. No mass parking available. So they were smart and moved the new Autzen Stadium off-campus. Good access, great parking and still within walking distance of the dorms. Gee, gosh, quite like the location of the present CSU stadium. Oregon has not done badly, it seems to me, with an off-campus field. But, one should not expect common sense to be part of this equation. Let's support the new AD, kiss a horse shoe for good luck, toss it over our shoulder and hope it doesn't hit us in the ass on the way down. Go Rams!</p>	
	<p>I am totally against building a new stadium. Hughes has been renovated</p> <p>and could be updated again, as needs arise. If a new stadium is built, it would be costly to the community and</p> <p>to the university. Additional funding is needed for academics, not athletics.</p>	
	<p>All this talk about stadiums is a red herring to avoid dealing with the real issues of underfunding academics, infrastructure and support of our research programs on campus. I think we want to spend money to build up and support world class academics and research that attracts the best and the brightest students.</p> <p>Somehow I do not think Harvard, MIT and Yale worry that their athletics are not up to par. They are some of the wealthiest schools in the country not because of athletics, but because they are the most academically outstanding. Why don't we strive to make CState "Ivy league"</p>	

	<p>caliber? Seems like a much more laudable goal with potential for solid alumni support down the road.</p>	
	<p>This may be a good idea I don't know. But I do know that it was a unilateral decision to put CSU into some top tier college football programs.</p> <p>Everything I have learned in my 60 yrs of life has told me to sell my ideas and garner support for them before thrusting them upon people. It's called politics.</p> <p>CSU is the State Agricultural College. When did the CSU Board of Governors decide to steamroll the horticulture, sustainable agriculture depts for the benefit of football and money? The symbolism of trashing those fields and the arboretum is very telling that CSU is no longer functioning as CO's land grant college.</p>	<p>Again, my biggest issue is the approach here. CSU President Frank is demonstrating horrible political skills by forcing this agenda through so fast and furious. Good ideas need political support. No college should teach our youth that bullying is the way of the world and that is exactly what this stadium process is- one big steamroller with no regard for humans in the community.</p> <p>Let this thing stew and mature and ripen naturally. Stop steamrolling us with this stadium. Table it until public support is strong. Without public support, President Frank teaches tens of thousands that politics are unimportant and that power is what makes the world go round.</p>
<p>After viewing the proposed thoughts on where the stadium would be located and plans for transportation and parking, I can now say that I am a supporter of the stadium move to campus. I forgot about the Mason Street Corridor project and how that can play favorably in dealing with traffic concerns. In fact, the corridor will help tremendously in improving traffic on game days compared to what the community deals with now.</p>		
<p>That you are not considering public funding.</p>	<p>A stadium is a poor use of any money. We already have a stadium that we just spent</p>	<p>I would need solid data and statistics to prove the stadium is a good idea for our specific</p>

	<p>another couple million on, also all the green issues of that. I lived around the stadium and dealt with the horrible traffic. Now I live in Fort Collins around campus and can imagine it being much worse. CSU needs to work with the city to establish the Mason Trains before considering building a stadium.</p>	<p>campus.</p> <p>Otherwise I have decided against it already</p>
	<p>The stadium does not need to be moved into town. The current stadium is not that far and the parking, noise, and delinquent issues that would be caused by moving the stadium in town would not be worth it. CSU is known for academics. Sports are fun but shouldn't be such a focus.</p>	
<p>stopping this counterproductive project.</p>	<p>http://online.wsj.com/article/SB10001424052702304743704577382292376194220.html</p> <p>This is a project which, though it may excite a certain number of alums, will:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Make the campus environment worse on a day to day basis for most students - wherever the stadium is put, it will create a dead zone that is uninviting for students on campus. I suggest you do a survey of other campuses and look at the number of students hanging around or using on-campus stadiums. It will be essentially zero. 2. It emphasizes athletics instead of academics as a selling point for CSU. 3. It will pump more money and energy into a program whose only benefit to students is school spirit. Better to funnel athletics money into sports that students can participate in in their own lives (running, swimming, golf, even frisbee are better choices). 	
	<p>CSU is pursuing this plan because of a vague hope that it will raise revenue. I am also concerned that operating and maintenance</p>	<p>None</p>

	costs will be pushed to the students in the form of fee increases. I further believe that whatever revenue models are driving this idea depend on rosy scenarios of ticket sales and TV revenues, which in turn depend on a successful team, which in turn depends on consistent recruiting and coaching..... which is way too many dependencies to make if even moderately likely to work out. Please also note that the NCAA and its idea of "amateurism" are increasingly under legal attack. Have the stadium supporters considered how this equation changes when universities start having to pay the football player's who's backs they are getting rich on?	
Colorado State building an on-campus stadium and investing in the athletic department as a whole, growing the university's and the community's brand on a national level.	A vocal minority may limit the benefits to the university and and community.	None
Please ignore	123	123
I am excited about the prospect of the new stadium. Last year I decided I wanted to invest my extra time and energy in to helping CSU. I was asked to join the Denver Advisory board in May of 2011. I have had numerous conversations with multiple Alumni in Denver asking what would it take to get you back on Campus & involved with CSU. An on-campus stadium came up a lot but was viewed as a pipe dream. Now that the stadium is being discussed the enthusiasm it has generated is pretty phenomenal. I believe this is will bring a lasting tradition to CSU. By having an on-campus stadium, everyone will get to view the beauty of CSU. I can list a 100 reason why this stadium will be beneficial for CSU but I feel the sense of pride we will all feel will be the most beneficial.	My Concern is what will the recourse be if we don't build the stadium? CSU has had a very difficult time reconnecting with its Alumni & Fan base. The thought of this stadium has brought them back. If the stadium is taken away I believe the ramifications will be catastrophic. I am also concerned that the wrong information is being presented by those who oppose the stadium.	

What is the most important thing you want the advisory committee to understand about your view of this issue?	What questions/concerns/suggestions do you have for the public engagement process?	Additional questions or comments.
<p>I am a long term Fort Collins resident, a CSU alumni, the parent of 2 who hope to attend CSU. Most support for the stadium seems to come from out of towners and students who are unlikely to have to deal with the impact once they leave college.</p>	<p>The permanent residents of Fort Collins should be being polled now through targeted mailings, not random online questionnaires open to anyone world wide.</p>	
<p>That building a new stadium is a waste of time and money. We need to keep the great stadium we already have.</p>		
<p>This stadium is vital to the survival of CSU athletics. Don't let misinformed and disingenuous opposition stop us from doing what is best for CSU.</p>	<p>Screw public input, just build it, haha</p>	<p>Go big! Don't settle for mediocrity.</p>
<p>This is a great idea to engage Denver alumni like me.</p>	<p>Listen to all factually supported, even headed arguments; and make an informed decision. Understand that many Fort Collins residents are anti-growth, but this does not involve development or growth, it is akin to a brownfield development.</p>	<p>This is a great idea as it is now, and if it proves feasible I will support the construction and use of the stadium in any way I am able. If it does not prove feasible, I will be disappointed and less excited about donating to CSU, but will still support the Rams no matter what.</p>
<p>I understand that the university needs to compete with others to attract out of state students and to generate interest and revenue from athletics. I do believe that the university is being very narrow-minded about its approach, based on the vision of its new coach, and should take a step back to develop a vision and plan for all of its athletics programs and facilities (football and all other sports). Having a true plan will help identify alternatives and their potential benefits and tradeoffs.</p> <p>The university is preaching sustainability but</p>		<p>Thanks for the opportunity to comment!</p>

<p>isn't thinking comprehensively or sustainably with respect to this issue. Also, the image that CSU as a "green" university is totally eroded by the desire to build a new stadium when one already exists. The university should look for ways to make the existing stadium a model of sustainable renovation and retrofitting. Think about multi-modal transportation, wind turbines, solar arrays, on-site community gardens or local food, low water landscaping, and the cool connections that could be made with university athletics. I think it would gain more positive press and accolades this way than by building a new facility and having to decide what to do with the old one.</p>		
<p>I feel that CSU is overlooked nationally as a fantastic university because our brand isn't promoted across the country. Successful athletics is the best way to change the perception of the CSU brand across the country. We need this stadium to make our largest revenue sport on par with the level of excellence our university's academics already embody.</p>	<p>Why does it need to take so long? If it is private donated money, what are we waiting for?</p>	<p>When can we break ground? Be Bold, CSU! Build this stadium!</p>
<p>I believe the potential long term benefit to CSU and Fort Collins is huge... However, a new stadium without a move to a new conference (or a more lucrative and stable MWC) is a tremendous risk.</p>		
<p>I am a current CSU student, and I see how much potential this stadium has. BUILD IT!</p>	<p>It's obvious that the largest majority of those against the stadium are an older generation. No offense, but we (the current students of CSU) are the future, and we care about how CSU is portrayed nationally.</p>	<p>One of the biggest complaints against the stadium is that it will worsen traffic, which is ridiculous. The future of transportation is LESS CARS.</p>
<p>I feel that the majority of the people involved with CSU (Alumni, students, residents of Ft. Collins) are in support of an on campus stadium.</p>	<p>To continue to keep things open and transparent.</p>	
<p>The idea that the performance or visibility of</p>		<p>CSU is never going to win a national</p>

<p>sports teams can in any way validate the quality of a degree conferred by CSU is ridiculous, antiquated, and sickening, hence it is unethical to spend this kind of money on a stadium, a football coach, and an athletic department.</p>		<p>championship in football; it is fiscally irresponsible to spend this money on building a new stadium instead of fixing up the existing one, and pointless to disrupt the city in this fashion.</p>
<p>It needs to be built.</p>		
<p>There are many related issues:</p> <p>1 -- My wife and I live one block from CSU and it doesn't take a large event at CSU to impact the surrounding neighborhoods.</p> <p>2 -- It's not any one event or one sport, but the multi-use aspect of the proposed stadium and the potential cumulative impact on neighborhood quality of life.</p> <p>3 -- Contrary to what some may say, purchasing a house in the surrounding neighborhoods does not nullify ones right to participate in civic endeavors. Our concerns are real, should not be trivialized, and should be addressed.</p> <p>4 -- I think that parking and traffic are going to be major issues in surrounding neighborhoods for two reasons: cost and ease of access. All City residential streets are free and they're more easily negotiated than the multitude of event lots which will be available on campus (the comparison between the 11,000 spots at Hughes and campus ends there when one views the size and dispersed nature of the dozens of lots on campus -- many of which are not available for event parking).</p> <p>5 -- That CSU will not take ownership of a potential "on-campus" decision and its "off-campus" consequences, pushing responsibility</p>		<p>The revamped website is a huge improvement in following the process and results of this debate.</p>

to deal with these consequences solely onto the City.		
These are my own individual views.	I think it's been good so far, maybe more advertising of the public meetings on-line or via the survey email addresses.	Thank you!
I will not donate to CSU if this goes through. If CSU is this careless about the money, I have better organizations to send my money too.	I don't think CSU really wants the input of the public and this campus is going to be build regardless of the majority of Fort Collins residents, CSU students, alumni and staff who oppose it.	This on campus stadium is a horrible idea. I will NOT DONATE to CSU if this stadium is built. I feel that CSU wants to attract out of state students but instead of putting money into our academics they want to have a new shiny stadium to bring in students. CSU doesn't have a winning football team and this is not going to make them any better. What does CSU plan to do with Hughes if they build this on campus stadium? Are this "athletic donor dollars" going to pay for more parking and replacing the buildings that are taken down to be replaced with the stadium?
<p>This kind of mission better serves the University in improving</p> <p>The education mission, research and teaching and extension.</p> <p>The future of the university does not lie with athletics, especially football.</p> <p>The mission is missguided. There is already more than enough competing</p> <p>Institutions in sports. They cannot all be champions.</p> <p>CSU should not invest it's resources into such a lesser potential as this.</p> <p>Let's be champions in the things we are good at.</p>	None	None

<p>Read more...t's us continue</p> <p>to make C S U a Champion in the fields of Education, Research</p> <p>and Teaching & Extension.</p>		
<p>It is the imperative responsibility of a university to do everything possible to prioritize education. All university-related decisions must be made with this as the main goal and in light of what would best support this priority.</p>	<p>Ask all residents & homeowners within a 1 mile radius of campus, as well as the police and anyone else related to traffic control.</p>	<p>Thank you!</p>
<p>Building this stadium will cause a decrease in property values in the surrounding neighborhoods as a results of noise, traffic, parking, and property destruction. CSU has offered no suggestions as to how to deal with this issue. They currently turn a blind eye to students and faculty parking off-campus and clogging neighborhood streets with their vehicles from 8am to 5pm every day, apparently expecting the neighborhoods to welcome the overflow from the campus. This stadium will exacerbate existing problems and create a host of new ones. We don't want to be buried by CSU's externalization of the negative components of their proposed stadium project. Leave the stadium where it is!!</p>	<p>Be more transparent in the university decision-making process....it seems we hear results when decisions are made rather than being part of the process. It should be illegal (if it isn't already) for one property owner (CSU) to make changes that negatively impact adjacent property owners (homeowners in Fort Collins neighborhoods).</p>	<p>Lets have Dr. Frank and the athletic director move into the historic Fort Collins High school neighborhood and then see if they think this new stadium is such a great idea!</p>
<p>Be bold go forward..... Campus is so beautiful these days I would love to spend more time on it..... I am truly proud to be a CSU Ram</p>	<p>It's always hard when only the negative people .. those who yell the loudest get their way ... don't let the bully's get you :->) Keep the facts out there to prove the point. Get the Coloradoan to give you the same soap box they give the</p>	

	<p>negative nancy's Do not let City Council put this on a ballot etc.... it really is a university item. Good grief its 6 days out of the year I love the idea of there being condo's, retail etc... in the stadium I think having a plan would help. Probably the biggest flaw was how "fast" it was going to happen. People are hitting the panic button before we know any real facts. The unknown is always scary as you are seeing by the reaction.</p>	
		<p>I believe the current unique setting of the CSU Stadium with its recent improvements should remain and be expanded if necessary for use in future years. A much more practical and less expensive decision.</p>
<p>This new stadium is a truly bad idea. In an era where the federal government is broke, the state government is struggling, and college less affordable than ever, how can you possible consider the colossal waste of money that this stadium represents. If you insist on this huge boondoggle, I suggest that you name it "Let Them Eat Cake Memorial Stadium." Then start filling Hughes Stadium with trash, since that is what you think of it.</p>	<p>The "advisory committee" is stacked with stadium supporters. This thing will be "Rammed" down the throats of the Fort Collins community and we will be left with a garbage pit out in the foothills and a giant mess of development and traffic in the middle of the city. And CSU pretends to be a "green" university. What a crock.</p>	<p>This thing will be "Rammed" down the throats of the Fort Collins community and we will be left with a garbage pit out in the foothills and a giant mess of development and traffic in the middle of the city. And CSU pretends to be a "green" university. What a crock.</p>
<p>I think this is and unnecessary and wasteful use of resources. We have a stadium. Sports are extracurricular, NOT THE FOCUS OF A UNIVERSITY. Why do we need to disrupt central Fort Collins families to promote a small group of "players" ?</p>	<p>Stop acting like this is a done deal and you are just gathering input so you can say "we asked you"!!!!</p>	
<p>That many students do not want this stadium. I know many who have been too lazy or</p>	<p>Do you seriously care what we think? Is all my outrage and input amounting to nothing? Is this</p>	<p>The idea that this stadium should be built, let alone made bigger, seems to misunderstand the</p>

<p>unmotivated to attend meetings, which is certainly not a good or helpful thing, who still feel very strongly. I cannot make them attend or speak up, but if they do not their opinion is underrepresented, but no less valid. I have deep skepticism that the cost of this stadium, or anything related by extension, will not cost the students a dime. A few friends of mine have expressed serious apprehension about going to CSU in the future, when that was previously their plan, because they are convinced this stadium will ultimately make their education more expensive for no justifiable reason in their eyes. The idea that a new stadium will attract new students seems very far-fetched, and you need to understand there is a very real chance it will have the opposite effect.</p>	<p>the kind of thing that will go ahead no matter what we say or think? That is the impression I have about all university projects, and this one seems to be no exception. I hope I am wrong. Also, many opportunities for input and feedback have not been well publicized. I had to search for several minutes through several links to find when the next public forum would be. If you really want our input, this information should be more readily available and publicly displayed. Some people who genuinely want to be involved may simply have no idea when or where these things are happening.</p>	<p>cause of our lack of enthusiasm for CSU sports. Hughes has no issue with being over capacity, why would a new one need to be bigger? The lack of enthusiasm comes from poor performance by our sports teams (despite their obnoxious preferential treatment and the obscenely overpaid coaches) and because some of us prioritize our school work and our education over our school spirit or involvement with sports. That is exactly how it should be, but that is not the priority of the university. If you want to attract more students and better players, why not focus on improving the quality of our education at CSU? Or focus on making it more affordable? I feel these would be a much bigger factor than the seating capacity of our stadium, or moving it 4 miles closer. If people want to attend these events, they are willing to travel 4 miles. Shuttles are even provided, afterall. There is no inability to attend these games, only an unwillingness, and an unwillingness that won't be solved by building a new stadium, which surely, one day, will be at our - or future students' - expense.</p>
<p>That the inclusion of common sense is paramount to arriving at a logical decision.</p>	<p>None</p>	<p>I fear that the decision to move has already be finalized and that public input is just for show. Pardon me for sounding jaded, but having been around for almost 80 years, and having seen many similar situations..... Go Rams, anyway.</p>
<p>I grew up in the south and left that region because I did not want to go to college to major</p>		<p>I have done informal "classroom polls" asking students what they think of the idea of a new</p>

<p>in "football or cheerleading" - the only apparent areas where schools in Alabama were known to excel. I am dismayed that CState is going down that same path. Colleges should be known for their outstanding academics - that's what college is for.</p>		<p>stadium. The unofficial results are about 90% against, a few % in favor and a handful undecided. Most of them note that their academic programs, classrooms & other facilities are desperate for renewal funding and think any "new money" that can be raised would be better spent there.</p> <p>Why don't you run a full on survey of the campus and ask the students what they think? They are the ones you have to convince to fill this stadium.</p>
<p>This is an idea whose time has not yet come.</p>		
<p>Parking and traffic were big concerns. I believe they are being addressed. I think even more in parking structures could be considered.</p> <p>I strongly feel the stadium should be a multi-use facility and not just for football. Being able to support other sports in the stadium and other general events is something that I believe helps show that we are a community that is not wasteful of our use of space.</p>		
<p>That it is strongly against a stadium, no matter how it is funded.</p>	<p>That you are only looking for a way to build the stadium and don't really care what I think.</p>	<p>More surveys, more questions, and show you care about my answers.</p>
<p>We don't need a new stadium.</p>		
	<p>That it is a sham. The decision has already been made by the athletic director, president of the university, and some set of large donors.</p>	
<p>That short-circuiting careful deliberation, published analysis and a multi-year process of public input and deliberation in order to build community support is a non-starter.</p>	<p>I'm concerned that the University has already made up its mind.... that Jack Graham and Tony Frank cannot keep their positions if they back down on this proposal, and that therefore, it's</p>	

	being driven by ego. This is all very reminiscent of the way the wind farm was handled.	
I will increase my donations to the university and the athletic department if this becomes a reality.	Why are people opposed to building a stadium with private funds?	Please build it.
How important this decision truly is. CSU deserves to be in the national spotlight for its academics & if the stadium & sports help us get there, then so be it.	Be excited! These are special times for CSU. I am proud of all of CSU's accomplishments over the last few years. This can be the signature piece that will tie it all together. The committee by approving the stadium will be improving CSU ten fold!	Let me know how I can help and thank you for working so hard on this decision.

**Online Answers to Initial Feedback Forms from first Stadium Advisory Committee Meeting
Eighth Posting**

This document contains the data from May 25 to July 21

Seven other documents include the data from Feb. 3 – April 16 on the CPD website at www.cpd.colostate.edu

The initial meeting of the Stadium Advisory Committee was on Friday, February 3rd. The meeting was open to the public to observe, but time for public comment was not available. Those participating were provided feedback forms with several prompts to provide their initial opinions about the proposal to build an on-campus stadium.

70 of those forms were turned in at the end of the process. Those forms were scanned, and are provided in full in a separate document (<http://www.cpd.colostate.edu/first%20committee%20meeting%20-%20feedback%20forms.pdf>).

The same questions were provided online for others to answer, and this document includes all the unedited responses provided online.

We will update this document periodically as responses come in.

It was difficult to put all 6 questions side by side, so we have the first three questions first, and then on page 13, the last three questions begin. The six questions were:

1. Regarding the potential building of a new on-campus stadium at CSU, I am excited about...
2. I am concerned that...
3. What additional information would you need to decide about this issue?
4. What is the most important thing you want the advisory committee to understand about your view of this issue?
5. What questions/concerns/suggestions do you have for the public engagement process?
6. Additional/information and comments

The arguments, ideas, concerns, and questions expressed in these forms will be utilized to help design the public process and inform the stadium committee's decision. Part of the process will also be identifying and attempting to resolve factual questions and inaccuracies. Obviously we cannot attest to the validity of factual claims made on these forms. If you have a specific response or concern to a point made on one of these forms, you can email the CPD at cpd@colostate.edu. Note the page number if you are referencing something specific.

These input forms are also not necessarily representative of relevant stakeholders, as any online process is susceptible to individuals posting multiple times. This information is being used to get a sense of the issues, not to count how many people are for or against at this point.

I am excited about...	I am concerned that...	What additional information would you need to decide about this issue?
<p>1. nothing about on campus stadium excites me</p>	<p>there will be more wild parties and crazy behavior if the stadium is in town because it will be close to housing. traffic will be horrible, it will be a big building and use up open space in town, I can't think of anything good about it, and waste of the Hughes stadium area, as well as the tradition of football at Hughes</p>	<p>none, there is no where you could stick a stadium in town that would make me happy</p>
<p>2 the fact that the opposition is really delivering factual information as to why a new stadium cannot be built on campus with DONOR FUNDING. the money will just NOT be there as promised.</p>	<p>the president will not listen to what the community is saying in connection with the opposition. I am concerned that he will not be good to his word as to preserving our campus open green space.</p>	<p>None</p>
<p>3</p>	<p>...since CSU owns the land and has the right to build what it wants there will be no real concern for those who really don't want a large, "traffic-attracting" stadium in the middle of town. I'm concerned about what will happen to the old stadium. It just seems a waste to build a new stadium rather than working to fix the old. I'm concerned it will be dumped into a landfill- not terribly "green".</p>	
<p>4 The one good thing I see about the new location is that students will be able to walk more easily to the new location...thus saving gas etc. But so many students and other participants live off-campus that this effect may be negated.</p>	<p>You are using land on campus that will be needed in the future for educational buildings...which is the real reason the University is here. Not for a stadium. I don't know what is wrong with the existing stadium(s) which has easy in and out for traffic, etc. There will be traffic issues, drunk participant issues, noise, etc. with the new location which is</p>	<p>I've decided. Future needs, traffic and noise concerns make the proposed site untenable. Put it out where the existing stadium is or just retrofit the existing if it needs some upgrades and save yourself (and me as a taxpayer some money.</p>

	<p>located in a lot more populated area than the current location.</p> <p>I can hear the loudspeaker from one of our the high schools which is almost 2 miles from my house whenever they have events. This includes football, track etc. It is very annoying to hear all that noise, including the people cheering or yelling. I can even determine specifics coming out of the loudspeaker. I assume that the noise from the "new" stadium location will be very annoying for neighbors and passersby for miles around as a college event attracts many more participants than a high school event.</p> <p>Please do not put the stadium in that location, it would not be farsighted as that land will be needed for further educational facilities. Thank-you.</p>	

What is the most important thing you want the advisory committee to understand about your view of this issue?	What questions/concerns/suggestions do you have for the public engagement process?	Additional questions or comments.
I don't want a stadium in town.		
That Ft. Collins is a special place in terms of quality of life. a new stadium on campus will diminish the quality of life for those communities that surround the campus.	That information be presented in an honest and forthright manner to the parties that need the data to make a good decision.	Thanks for the opportunity to provide my opinion.
CSU is currently in the middle of town- for better or worse. It was wisdom to put the stadium away from neighborhoods and other businesses, even it that was not the original intent. CSU has been a good neighbor to Fort Collins for many decades. Putting a large stadium on campus proper would turn CSU into a loud and intrusive	Where is the parking for this new stadium? What will happen to the old stadium?	The CSU president will not always be president and he may well move on. But, many of the citizens of this town have been here for many years and will continue to call this lovely city home. We will have to continue to live with the decisions others have made for us. I know this is life in a democracy, but bear in mind, this

neighbor.		decision isn't being made through a democratic process. As a member of this community for over 20 years, I'm asking that real consideration be given to those who oppose this plan.
<p>Future use of that property is a grave concern.</p> <p>Noise and traffic issues are also large concerns.</p>	<p>Comments will not be read or taken into consideration</p>	<p>Thank-you for taking the time to read this.</p>