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Artificial turf for soccer fields put on hold

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City council has put off dealing with a request for up to $3 million for five artificial soccer fields at the Calgary Soccer Centre.
Alderman Diane Colley-Urquhart says council is making a mistake and missing a golden opportunity.
But aldermen balked, when they were told that if they put $2.75 million aside for the artificial turf fields other projects already approved would be put at risk.
Colley-Urquhart says this project would be an ideal candidate to get some of the announced half-a-billion dollars from the federal government towards recreation projects across Canada.
However she worries about the delay.
"So what they did today by referring this, is that it will come back against all other types of priorities."
Colley-Urquhart says the Calgary Soccer Federation is being penalized for all the work they've done on having to wait on city administrators to decide on priorities.

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