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Dear Mayor Manheimer and Asheville City Council,

I remember how wonderful it was to have recreation/play space as a kid, teenager and young adult. It is critical to one's mental, social and physical health. Our neighbors in the East End/Valley Street neighborhood are one of several predominantly Black neighborhoods that have been blighted by urban renewal. They need and have been asking for a public track to be added at Memorial Stadium for years and years to no avail. An ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure as the saying goes and this is an investment in our community's well being. Let's make good on our promise for correcting past oversights and blights and set aside American Rescue Plan funds to build the track and support community equity.

Thank you for your time and consideration and making Asheville a good place to live.

Sincerely,  
Dr. Pamela J. Culp, M.D.