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Soccer Fields Considered For Treasure Island

A Board of Supervisors committee has embraced a plan to build a 15-field soccer complex on Treasure Island, possibly luring international and professional soccer tournaments to the middle of the bay within three years.

Games could be hosted on at least one field as early as 1997. A year later, the rest of the multistadium complex could be ready to go.

Besides satisfying area recreational needs, the project would include three stadiums that would enable San Francisco to play host to international tournaments, developer James Spagnole told the Select Committee on Base Closures on Tuesday.

One stadium would contain about 7,500 seats; the other two would each have a capacity of about 6,000.

Committee chairman Kevin Shelley said the proposal had the "enthusiastic endorsement of this committee." But he held off taking an official vote because public notices of the committee agenda had listed the item simply as a topic for consideration, not as a matter to be decided.

Spagnole's plan also needs approval of the Redevelopment Agency, the Planning Commission and the full Board of Supervisors.
