Sports Economics: To Build or Not to Build

Name:



For It or Against It?

Date:

Directions: As you hear from the twelve different individuals, place a check in the appropriate box that represents their opinion on whether or not the new retractable-roof stadium should be built.		
PART A	Yes, Build the Stadium!	No, Don't Build It!!
Atlanta Sports Council Representative		
Vine City Community Organizer		
Mount Vernon Baptist Church Member		
Atlanta-area Construction Worker		
Co-Owner #1 of the Glenn Hotel		
Co-Owner #2 of the Glenn Hotel		
Falcons Season Ticket Holder		
Out-of-Town Business Planner		
Small Business Representative		
Crushed Stone Company Owner		
Citizens Against Corporate Welfare Representative		



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PART B

1.	Which side of the argument do you think makes the most sense from an economic perspective? Explain your answer.
2.	What is the Atlanta Falcons' opportunity cost of spending \$1.2 billion dollars (out of the final cost of \$1.6 billion) on a new retractable-roof stadium?
3.	How will the Atlanta Falcons benefit from the decision to spend \$1.2 billion (out of the final cost of \$1.6 billion) on a new retractable-roof stadium?
4.	What are some possible positive and negative consequences of the decision to build a new retractable-roof stadium in Atlanta?
	Positive consequences-
	Negative consequences-
5.	If it was up to you to make the final decision on whether or not to build the new retractable-roof stadium in Atlanta using partial public funding, what would you do? Explain your reasoning.