Subject: Re: Super Bowl Commercials Posted by Rusty on Sun, 12 Feb 2023 14:17:09 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

The major downside for all this hoopla is the inevitable. "We Need A New Stadium", that the morbidly rich owners foist on the cities they inhabit. They're leverage is a sly threat to move. And that kind of buzz is going on in KC. So the boondoggle is on for both of our franchise's to have new, new, new expensive stadiums that the public gets hornswoggled into with higher taxes while the owners enjoy tax abatements. Most of the public is priced out of even going to sporting events now.

All this over the decades has blunted my interest in the whole mega sports cheerleading that you can't avoid. I'm all for the fans that live and die with their teams. But they're being exploited by those that can afford to be public minded. But won't.

Of note is the one publicly owned sports team in America. The Green Bay Packers. Perennially successful in a small market and owned by over 530K owners. Their stadium is modest, their town is small, yet they have been one of the most successful teams in the history of professional football. That's saying something about "socialism".