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## **County and city end negotiations with Boston Red Sox**

Sarasota County and the City of Sarasota agreed today to end negotiations with the Boston Red Sox over a possible relocation of their spring training complex to Sarasota.

The county and city have been working cooperatively and in good faith, unfortunately, the parties have not been able to reach an agreement on the key terms and conditions for the project.

Current economic and credit market conditions have limited the funding resources available for the development of the complex. County and city officials cited the limited funding resources, combined with the limited sources available for operations and maintenance of the complex, as reasons for ending the negotiations.

The county and city will continue to explore future options for Payne Park and Ed Smith Field.

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