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Dear Mayor and Councillors,

I am writing to express my support for four pickleball courts at court #1, at Centennial Park. At present, there are no such dedicated facilities available in the region. With the closure of courts in North Saanich, demand for access has grown significantly.

While I appreciate the inclusion of pickleball lines in the new multi-sport box under construction in Central Saanich, this facility is primarily designated for lacrosse and other sports, which will limit access for pickleball players. The need to set up and remove temporary nets each time further reduces playability and convenience.

Purpose-built pickleball courts with permanent nets and lines dedicated solely to the sport offer a significantly better playing experience. Across North America, pickleball participation has now surpassed tennis, yet the Saanich Peninsula has 15 purpose-built tennis courts and none for pickleball.

I urge you to consider this growing need and support the development of dedicated pickleball courts in Central Saanich.

Sincerely,

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