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Dear Mayor and Councillors...

I have been a member of the Peninsula Community Pickleball Club since its inception, which currently now has over 200 members, with many more on the waiting list.

The main issue we have struggled with over the years, and which has prevented our ability to grow our club further, is the lack of dedicated pickleball courts on the Peninsula. Although pickleball has surpassed tennis in popularity in North America, there are still no dedicated pickleball courts on the Peninsula, however there are thirteen dedicated tennis courts.

Many seniors are very active in retirement, and are finding pickleball very social, fun, and great exercise, supporting their physical and mental health. I believe our municipal governments should be doing everything possible to foster an active, healthy lifestyle for seniors as well as other age demographics.

I would strongly encourage Central Saanich Council to support converting Court #1 at Centennial Park to a permanent, four court pickleball only court, which would greatly assist in meeting the huge demand on the Peninsula for pickleball. The conversion cost of doing so would be borne by the pickleball community and pickleball associations, so there would be no financial impact to Central Saanich.

Thank you.

Patricia Currie

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