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Dear Mayor Windsor and members of Council,

I am writing to express my strong support, along with that of many fellow community members, for the conversion of one of the existing tennis courts at Centennial Park into four dedicated pickleball courts.

At present, two pickleball courts are marked within one of the existing tennis courts. While this is a welcome provision, the demand for these courts has rapidly outpaced their availability. The current shared setup is constantly in use, and booking a slot has become increasingly difficult due to the sport's growing popularity.

Pickleball has seen a significant surge in participation across all age groups, and Centennial Park has become a hub for local players. In contrast, the two other dedicated tennis courts in the park are underutilized in comparison. Converting one of the tennis courts to accommodate four dedicated pickleball courts would be a more efficient use of space and would better reflect the recreational interests of the local community.

Dedicated pickleball courts would not only alleviate booking difficulties but also improve the playing experience by eliminating conflicts between sports and providing appropriate dimensions and lines for pickleball play.

This change would support the continued growth of an inclusive, community-driven sport and promote healthy, active lifestyles among residents. I respectfully urge the council to consider this much-needed conversion to better serve the recreational needs of Centennial Park users.

Thank you for your attention and ongoing support of local recreational initiatives.

Sincerely,

Baohua Duan
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(A North Saanich Resident and
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