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Learn why this is important

You don't often get email from Dear Mayor and Councillors,

I am writing to strongly advocate for the motion to convert tennis court #1 at Centennial Park into four permanent pickleball-only courts. This is a crucial step to alleviate the immense and growing demand for pickleball facilities across the Peninsula. It's well-known that multiple pickleball courts can be comfortably accommodated within the footprint of a single tennis court, making this a highly efficient use of space.

The recent closure of the Wain Park pickleball facility has left a significant void in our community. Access to dedicated pickleball courts is vital for the physical activity and mental well-being of residents across all age groups. Furthermore, to truly foster inclusivity, a facility that offers a consistent "drop-in" option is desperately needed. Currently, many courts are exclusively reserved by associations, recreation centers, or private groups, which severely restricts general public access. To ensure both structured play and spontaneous participation, I propose that two of the new courts be designated for bookings, while the other two remain available for "drop-in only" play.

Thank you for your careful consideration of this pressing community need.

Sophie Lauro

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