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Dear Mayor and Councillors,

I wish to lend my support for the council motion to convert Court #1 at Centennial Park (currently designated for pickleball and tennis) to four permanent pickleball courts. I also advocate that the conversion would provide permanent nets and individual court fences.

There are currently thousands of people who play pickleball in the Capital Regional District and many live in Central Saanich. There are currently no purpose built pickleball courts on the Saanich Peninsula. Pickleball provides excellent physical and mental health benefits for participants.

I play lots of pickleball. I also regularly play tennis at Centennial Park and regularly enjoy booking courts there. There is a surplus of tennis courts on the Saanich Peninsula and it's time to have more balance between the availability of both types of courts. As a tennis player I strongly support the motion for conversion of Court 1 to four designated pickleball courts.

Finally the local pickleball community and associations will be pleased to finance the conversion.

I'm very hopeful that this motion to convert Court 1 to designated pickleball courts will pass quickly and that the conversion will begin very soon.

Thanks for your consideration.

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