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Support for four purpose-built pickleball courts at Court #1 at Centennial Park

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### Message

Dear Mayor and Council,

It has come to my attention that at a recent council meeting, there was a motion to convert tennis court #1 at Centennial Park to four permanent purpose-built pickleball courts.

As an avid pickleball player and Central Saanich taxpayer for 35 years, I applaud this recognition that permanent purpose-built pickleball courts are needed in Central Saanich and support the motion wholeheartedly. Below are some of the reasons for my asking Council to support the motion.

Pickleball Canada states that pickleball is the fastest growing sport in North America. Pickleball BC states that pickleball continues to grow at double digit percentage rates across Canada and demand for required playing space is limited.

Indeed, there are 15 purpose-built tennis courts on the Saanich Peninsula and no purpose-built pickleball

courts (since the closure of the North Saanich courts). It only seems fair that Central Saanich taxpayers who support the construction and maintenance of tennis and other sports courts that benefit our community should have similar access to purpose-built pickleball courts within Central Saanich.

Pickleball is a fun and accessible sport for players of all ages. The best long- lasting result of pickleball is leading a healthy (both physical and mental) and social lifestyle. Council's approval to build four purpose-built pickleball courts at Centennial Park will serve to build community by creating a space for Central Saanich residents to be active, grow their skills, build friendships and discover the joy of the game.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,  
Margaret Yandel

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