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PICKLEBALL: PROJECT FUNDING

SEPTEMBER 29, 2026

RECAP

PREVIOUS ACTIONS TO REACH THIS POINT

01

PROPERTY ACQUIRED

Columbus Pickleball Association (CPA) acquired the property at 1641 3rd Avenue and demolished the structures, at a cost of $950k, with intent to donate to city.

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CPA CONCEPT

Columbus Pickleball Association presented a request for 28 courts (24 main courts and 4 under 2nd Avenue bridge)

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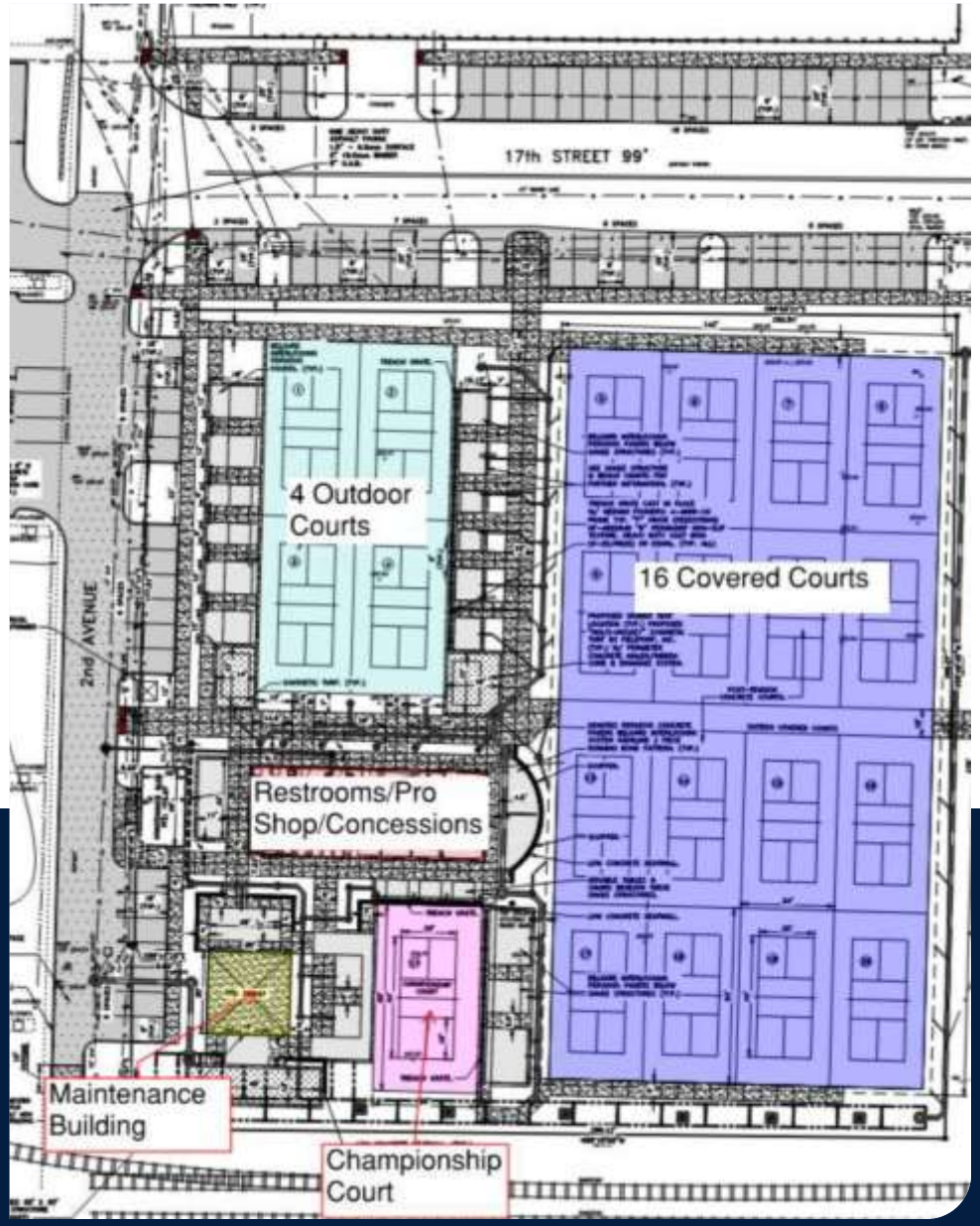
CITY APPROVED FUNDING

City Council authorized General Fund Reserves totaling $4.051M, in addition to $2.6M of TAD funding. $0.45M of OLOST infrastructure funding was used for the parking areas.

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LAYOUT DEVELOPED

Kick-Off Meeting in January 2026, which included Brasfield & Gorie, Columbus Pickleball Association, and CCG staff, began developing the plan.



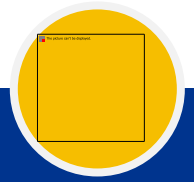
AGREED UPON IMPROVED LAYOUT

AMENITIES, STORAGE, PRO SHOP, CONCESSIONS AND CHAMPIONSHIP COURT

In January 2026, the project team began developing the layout. The project team consisted of the contractor (Brasfield & Gorie), Columbus Pickleball Association, Parks & Rec and city staff.

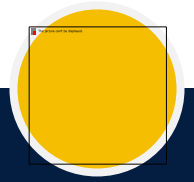
- → Reduced Uncovered Courts from 6 to 4 to provide viewing area
- → Combined Pro Shop, Concessions and Restroom Buildings
- → Added Maintenance Building
- → Removed 4 courts under bridge and full kitchen to reduce cost despite above changes

CURRENT LAYOUT



CPA CONCEPT

- ⟶ 24 Courts (16 covered, 7 outdoor, 1 Championship Court)
- ⟶ 4 Courts under 2nd Ave Bridge
- ⟶ Minimal Amenities or Social Areas
- ⟶ No Storage/Maintenance Building
- ⟶ Inadequate staff/operational/circulation space



CURRENT LAYOUT

- ⟶ 21 Courts (16 covered, 4 outdoor, 1 Championship Court)
- ⟶ 0 Courts under 2nd Ave Bridge with the option to add
- ⟶ Enhanced Amenities and Social Areas
- ⟶ Storage/Maintenance Building
- ⟶ Adequate staff/operational/circulation space

RECAP CONTINUED

PREVIOUS ACTIONS TO REACH THIS POINT

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DESIGN CONTINUED

Design of approved layout was completely developed to include all necessary details including building floor plans, stormwater management, etc.

SUBCONTRACTOR PRICING

Brasfield & Gorrie completed multiple rounds of competitive bidding with various subcontractors. Total cost exceeded project budget.

VALUE ENGINEERING

Since project was over approved budget, Brasfield and Gorrie and City staff reviewed the project scope for potential cost savings. Over $600k saved through this effort.

COUNCIL DIRECTION

Direction from City Council is needed on additional funding for completion of proposed project to include courts under the 2nd Avenue Bridge.

PICKLEBALL: SCOPE AND BUDGET

DECISION ABOUT SCOPE AND FUNDING

- Approved budget utilized $4,051,527 of the General Fund Reserve to fund the design/construction.
- Other sources of City committed funds included $0.45M of OLOST Infrastructure and $2.6M of 2nd Ave/City Village TAD.
- Project cost based on current plans is $8.4M. Four courts under the 2nd Avenue Bridge is an additional $700,000.
- Additional funding of $1.7M is needed to complete entire proposed project.
- Original request from CPA to the City was $1.6 million



$7.1M

Current use of taxpayer funds

(Original request from Council was $1.7M)

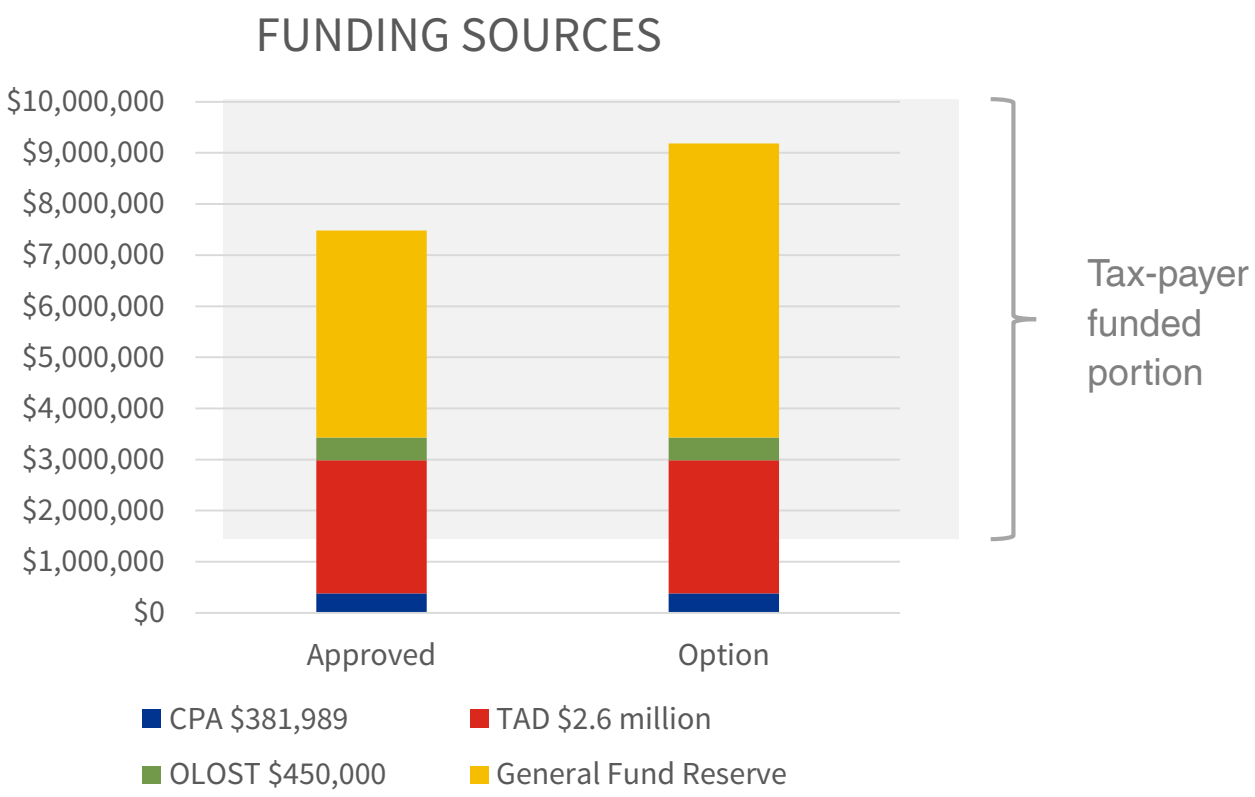


$1.7M

Additional request to General Fund Reserves

FUNDING SOURCES

ORIGINALLY APPROVED VS. PROPOSED FOR CONSTRUCTION OF FACILITY



$4,051,527

Original commitment from General Fund Reserves

$1.7M

With the additional for 4 courts under 2nd Ave Bridge

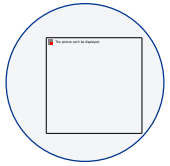
$5,751,527

Updated draw on General Fund if approved

Total taxpayer funding would be $8,401,527

4 COURTS – ADDING NOW VS. LATER

TIMING OF ADDITIONAL $700K TO BUILD OUT 4 COURTS UNDER 2ND AVE BRIDGE

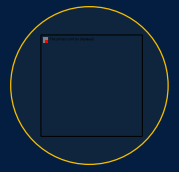


PROS FOR DOING IT NOW

→ Full scope of courts is available sooner.

→ Clears out the area under the 2nd Avenue Bridge.

→ More efficient to build out all courts at once.



PROS FOR WAITING

→ Allows time to see if the 21 initial courts are sufficient before we commit additional tax-payer dollars to the additional 4 courts.

→ Allows time for other donors or private partners to commit capital to the buildout of the 4 courts, capping the tax-payer funded commitment at 84% of the total project.

→ Allows time to see if facility is self-sustaining.