From: <u>ed atherton</u>
To: <u>Nicolle Burnham</u>

Subject: PickleBall at Blossom Hill Park tennis courts

Date: Tuesday, January 23, 2024 3:57:15 PM

[EXTERNAL SENDER]

Hello Nicolle,

I understand that the town is considering in its capital budget re-striping of the tennis courts for Pickleball. As a homeowner and resident of Los Gatos, I strongly encourage the town to do so for this rapidly growing sport.

Thank you in advance,

Ed Atherton

From: <u>Janette Judd</u>
To: <u>Robert Lipp</u>

Cc: Nicolle Burnham; Jim Harbin

Subject: RE: Capital Budget - Pickleball court resurfacing & possible new courts

Date: Tuesday, January 30, 2024 12:57:21 PM

cc: Mayor and Town Council

Town Manager and Asst. Town Manager PPW Director and Superintendent

Good afternoon,

Thank you for your e-mail, however, there is no Town Council meeting this evening. Council meetings occur the 1^{st} and 3^{rd} Tuesdays, monthly. The following is information available on the Town website for submitting public communications:

https://www.losgatosca.gov/2126/Public-Guide-to-Town-Council-Meetings

It appears you may be referencing project funding and Town budget requests. These topics will be discussed at upcoming Town Council Meetings beginning in February through May for both the current and next Fiscal Year (adjustments, priorities, and adoption of budgets).

Copied on this message: Parks and Public Works (PPW) Director Nicolle Burnham MBurnham@LosGatosCA.gov, whose oversight of all PPW divisions includes Town infrastructure, including Parks and amenities; and Streets/Parks/Traffic Superintendent Jim Harbin JHarbin@LosGatosCA.gov. Superintendent Harbin and Director Burnham are the best contact for input and comments regarding parks.

Lastly, your communication will be retained by PPW staff and included in staff report materials (along with all public comments) for applicable budget discussions. If you wish to attend a Council Meeting(s) to deliver verbal or written communications, feel free to check the Town website for upcoming meeting agendas: https://www.losgatosca.gov/13/Agendas-Minutes
You can also sign up for the Town's "What's New" notifications:

https://www.losgatosca.gov/list.aspx

Thank you once again for reaching out to the Town. Sincerely,

Janette Judd ■ Executive Assistant

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From: Robert Lipp >

Sent: Tuesday, January 30, 2024 10:54 AM To: Council < Council@losgatosca.gov>

Subject: Capital Budget - Pickleball court resurfacing & possible new courts

[EXTERNAL SENDER]

I am unable to attend tonight's Council meeting so I would appreciate your entering these comments into the meeting.

Pickleball is a fast paced game requiring quick footwork. The cracks in the current courts present a hazard to footwork and can lead to disastrous falls. I am not exaggerating - most of the players are seniors where a fall can readily lead to crippling injuries.

There's a saying about Pickleball "It's not if you will get injured, but when". My wife had to quit due to such injuries.

On another note, I would like the Town to consider building new dedicated Pickleball courts. The game is a disturbance to neighbors yet doesn't take mush space. I would like to recommend building 8-12 courts in Oak Meadow park near the playground airplane. It is an essentially unused space and there are no neighbors to disturb. Also, most Pickleball occurs in the mornings when the park is little used, so adding little congestion to the peak limited parking. This plan would be of great benefit to neighbors near current courts which could then be rededicated solely to tennis.

Thank you. Robert Lipp

Los Gatos, CA 95030