



# TOWN OF BETWEEN GEORGIA

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## **RE: Heritage Parkway/Ayers Park**

In 2021, past Chairman Kevin Little was approached with a request to have a one-acre parcel of property on Heritage Parkway donated to the Town of Between for the construction of a new town hall. Due to escalating inflation, supply chain issues and the rapid rise in building material costs at the time bids were solicited, it became obvious that the project cost had far exceeded the available funds. Since that time, the council made the decision to build the new town hall on the existing location.

I spoke with Parks Director Jody Johnson to ascertain what additional features were planned for Ayers Park. He stated that he was working with a private entity to improve the frisbee golf course but that was all that was proposed in phase one of the park design. I asked him what his immediate needs for the park were and he stated that they need 10-12 additional pickleball courts to meet the demand requested by local players. He stated that if they had the additional courts, the county could sponsor regional pickleball tournaments which can't be done with the four current courts.

The Town of Between would like to offer a proposal. We would deed the 1+ acre site (which is adjacent to the current courts) back to the county for the express purpose of building the additional pickleball courts. The only stipulation would be that this be completed in a timely manner, the installation of wiring for future lighting fixtures and that the pickleball complex be named as "The Between Pickleball Complex at Ayers Park". As part of the project, the Town of Between would purchase and install aluminum 3 tier bleachers at each court site for use by players waiting to utilize the courts.

I feel that this would be a great addition to Ayers Park and shows that the County and Town can work together to provide much needed recreational facilities for the citizens of Walton County and the Town of Between.

Your consideration is greatly appreciated.

  
Robert Post

