

**PETITION to
DEVELOP DEDICATED PICKLEBALL COURTS
in City of Victoria**

Dear Mayor Helps and City of Victoria Council,

Pickleball is the fastest growing sport in the U.S. and Canada is not far behind. In 5 years, pickleball grew by nearly 70% while tennis increased by 20%.

With the recent closing of pickleball at Todd Park in James Bay, Victoria now has just 6 usable pickleball courts, none of which are in the communities of James Bay or Fairfield. Furthermore, none of the 6 courts are dedicated to pickleball, but are dual purposed with tennis courts. This limited court availability means that pickleball and tennis players are increasingly pitted against each other. In addition to defraying this tension, adding dedicated pickleball courts would benefit both groups since it would stop the further infringement of pickleball lines on existing tennis courts.

Adding dedicated pickleball courts addresses the City's Strategic Goal of increasing the number of people who are more active. Pickleball is a highly accessible and inclusive sport that is affordable, friendly, and inherently fun. The game can be played by anyone; even those who have never previously played a sport before are able to keep the ball in play enough to have a fun time. That said, there are many levels of complexity to the game that can provide interest and challenge for years to come.

We, the undersigned, petition the Mayor and Victoria City Council to develop a minimum of 6 dedicated pickleball courts by the summer of 2022.

651 Petition Signers, As of April 13, 2022

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Comments Made by Signers of Petition for more Dedicated Pickleball Courts in City of Victoria

Over 50 people voluntarily provided comments. Mention was made about the many benefits of the game and the fact that there is a shortage of courts. Others made direct pleas to the City (Council & Mayor) to step up and address the shortage of courts, often referring to Victoria as lagging behind other municipalities. These themes are presented below with verbatim quotes by respondents to the petition.

Pickleball benefits: mental & physical health, social opportunities, especially for seniors

"Recreation is so important to the health of all residents,"

"This is an investment in healthy aging (and so much fun)"

"Keep seniors and everyone active and healthy...An inexpensive...all year...sport for all ages and abilities !"

"Want to support healthy active living"

"It's fun exercise for seniors."

"It is important for people (especially seniors, for whom this game is popular) to be able to keep fit in an outdoor sport."

"Seniors would benefit from Pickle Ball. You can play well into Your 70's."

"One of my retirement goals was to get active and create new friendships. Pickleball provides for both those."

"Hmm let me get this straight, you're saying NO to people being active and enjoying the fresh air?"

"People are desperate to be outside and play and stay active"

"Dear council members : we need more courts to play pickleball in this beautiful city to support a healthy lifestyle for all."

"Seniors need this fun easy-to- learn social outlet after 2 years of caution and semi isolation!"

"This is vital to the well-being of current and future pickleball players in Victoria."

"Absolutely agree. Pickleball has been a lifesaver for so many seniors and newcomers to Victoria especially during the last 2 years. It allows us to be physically active, enjoy the company of others and have FUN."

"A beautiful sport that is bringing so many together for health, socialization and joy."

"The issue of court designation needs to be taken seriously. Pickleball is important to our communities for many reasons, but mostly because it is all inclusive and has positive long term effects on the people who play"

"It's a sport for all ages! We don't shut soccer or baseball fields because kids are laughing"

Victoria City not responsive to demand / not keeping pace with other municipalities

"The City has not been listening to individual letters written to the Parks Supervisor and Manager over the past 1-2 years about the worsening shortfall in the availability of Pickleball courts in Victoria"

"Victoria is long overdue for the Mayor and City Council to take a closer look at the tax base that is represented by the multitude of Pickleball players in Victoria. City Councillors, please be proactive in building new Pickleball court facilities for an active and growing sport."

"Victoria is far behind other municipalities in providing the opportunity for seniors to stay fit and stay social by playing pickleball."

"Pickle ball is the fastest growing sport, terrible that much smaller communities have beautiful, dedicated courts, Victoria and the west shore have none."

"Places like Lake Country and Vernon have public outdoor pickleball facilities and they have way fewer pickleball players than Victoria has!!!"

"We just got 4 new courts in Sooke, one a combo court, and they're already busy! We can show you how!"

"Local councils have been shutting down courts that the public paid tons of money for!"

"This sport is not going away and now the younger demographics are discovering the game, the demand for courts will increase significantly! You need to rethink the message you're sending the residents of the city."

"I know many more people who play pickleball (than tennis) now and more who want to play and they can't get courts. We seniors are a large wave of silver with coin in pockets who are dedicated to fitness and fun and pay our way."

"With all the complaints about the noise, the answer is not to shut courts down, the answer is to find locations where the sport does not disturb residents. I am sure pickleball organizations would be willing to work with municipalities to fundraise and help coordinate. Don't be like other municipalities and think by ignoring requests that PB players will just go away and find something else. PB and the players are not going away, so let's work together to help resolve and build more playing opportunities."

"Pickleballers are taxpayers and voters."

Court shortage

"There is a lack of pickleball courts in Victoria and always a lineup of folks waiting to play while other courts and play areas are vacant."

"We need more courts as many of us are competing for court time."

"I absolutely love pickleball and the city needs more courts that are dedicated to this game and far enough away from residences to address the noise that people having fun make."

"Have to wait to play on current courts"

"I'm new to pickleball and hope to play more often- need more accessible Courts"

"We need more courts"

"I support my dear friends love of pickleball and believe this to be a valid cause."

"I am a new pickle ball player and want places to play. There are simply not enough with the recent closings."

"My husband and I are 58 and we have discovered the sport of pickleball...but we are discouraged at the lack of courts and would love to see more built."

"Addition Pickleball courts are definitely required in Victoria to meet the demand. Thanks"

Specific court configurations / locations needed

"Victoria pickleballers are in desperate need of dedicated courts."

"We need dedicated courts"

"We need dedicated pickleball courts in the City of Victoria and the CRD"

"I live in James Bay and loved playing at my neighborhood pickleball courts, Todd Park, where I could walk or ride my bike to the courts."

"As I do understand and appreciate concerns regarding noise, the municipalities of greater Victoria need to come together to create dedicated courts (6 minimum) in multiple locations in each municipality as well as a 20 to 24 court location for hosting large scale tournaments. Both outdoor and indoor locations would be a great benefit to greater Victoria and all of those who are playing and wish to play pickleball."

"The Greater Victoria area would be well served for years to come with an all seasons pickleball facility like the one in Vernon. Should the city and surrounding communities enter a joint venture and create a 20-court facility we would also be eligible to host a nationals event and bring in huge tourist dollars to the area."