

Monrovia City Council Proposed Pickleball Pilot Program Update December 21, 2021

Background

- At the November 16 City Council Meeting, Council directed staff to look into developing Pickleball Courts on the Tennis Courts at Recreation Park
- Tonight, staff has an overview of the work completed to date as well as recommendations for next steps
- Staff is seeking your feedback on these plans as we proceed forward
 - Staff provided a similar update to the Community Services Commission on Tuesday, December 14
 - The Commission was pleased with the plans and had no suggested changes

Background

- Pickleball is one of the fastest growing sports in America
 - Started in 1965 Joel Pritchard, congressman from Washington State
 - Started out of boredom
 - Combination of badminton and Ping-pong
 - Goal = Provide a game that the whole family could play together
- Over the last year, a handful of residents have requested the City consider adding Pickleball Courts to a City Park
 - Neighboring communities, Arcadia and Duarte both have incorporated Pickleball on to their Tennis Courts



Original Pickleball Court



Background

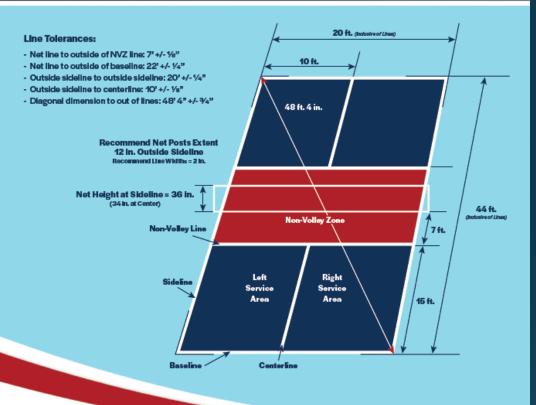
- After assessing the conditions of the current courts and evaluating the most efficient means to expedite this request, staff is recommending the following:
 - Evaluate the use of the existing Tennis Courts
 - Paint a Pickleball Court overlay on two of the existing Tennis Courts and use the existing Tennis net for the purpose of Pickleball
 - Have courts open for both Tennis and Pickleball players on a first come, first serve basis
 - Conduct an evaluation of the court use following the implementation of the Pickleball Court overlay
 - Incorporate findings into future park improvements

Court Layout



Court Dimensions

PICKLEBALL COURT CONSTRUCTION





You play the best sport. Now build the best court. *Info at USAPickleball.org/courts*

One of the keys to taking your pickleball game to the next level is having a convenient place to play. Whether you're setting up for serious competition, casual games with friends, or a temporary surface for an event, knowing the basics can help you get the most enjoyment out of your court. These guidelines will get you started on building the court that's perfect for your specific needs.

Court Overlay



Tennis Court Audit

City of Monrovia Tennis Court Audit

Date	Staff	Random Time	Court A	Notes	Court B	Notes	Court C	Notes	Court D	Notes
TC	1:22 PM	3	2A/1C	5	2A/3C/Lessons?	0		0		
TC	4:47 PM	0		0		2	Adults	2	Adults	
Monday, December 13	HG	10:44 AM	0		0		0		0	
	HG	3:21 PM	0		0		0		0	
	HG	5:19 PM	0		0		4	Adults playing pickleball	0	
Tuesday, December 14	HG	8:48 AM	0	raining	0	raining	0	raining	0	raining
	HG	2:48 PM	0		0		0		0	
	HG	5:27 PM	0		0		0		0	
Wednesday, December 15	HG	9:20 AM	0		0		2	Adults	0	
	HG	12:16 PM	0		0		1	Adult playing tennis against back boar	0	
	HG	6:55 PM	0		0		0		0	
Thursday, December 16	HG	8:12 AM	0		0		0		1	Adult playing tennis on back
	HG	11:35 AM	0		0		0		0	
	ES	5:48 PM	0		0		0		2	Adults
Friday, December 17	TP	11:19 AM	0		0		2	1:1 Tennis Lesson?	0	
	TP	12:25 PM	0		0		0		2	1:1 Tennis Lesson?
	TP	7:29 PM	0		0		0		0	
Saturday, December 18	HS	8:56 AM	0		0		3	Adults playing tennis	6	Adults playing doubles tennis
	HG	1:21 PM	2	Adults playing singles tennis	4	2 Adult 2 teenagers	2	Adults playing singles tennis	3	1 Adult 2 Children – Lessons
		7:52 PM								
Sunday, December 19	RS	10:49 AM	0		0		3	Adults	2	
	CE	2:27 PM								
	HS	6:38 PM	0		0		0		2	Adults playing singles tennis
Monday, December 20	HG	9:18 AM	2	Adults playing singles tenni:	0		1	Adult	6	Adults playing doubles tennis
	HG	1:52 PM	3	1 Adult 2 Children	0		3	1 Adult 2 Children lessons	1	Adult playing tennis on back boar
	RS	7:25 PM	0		0		2	Adults playing singles tennis	0	
Tuesday, December 21	HG	8:37 AM	0		0		4	Adults playing doubles tennis	4	Adults playing doubles tennis
	HG	11:05 AM	0		2	Adults - Lessons?	1	Adult	0	

Notification to Court Users



Monrovia PICKLEBALL Pilot Program

In response to community interest, the City Council has requested staff develop a Pickleball Pilot Program. In the coming weeks, staff will be painting Pickleball Court lines over two of the existing Tennis Courts. The courts with the overlay will continue to be accessible to both tennis and pickleball players on a first come, first serve basis.

Staff will be evaluating the use of these courts during the Pilot Program and incorporate any findings into future park improvements.

Pickleball is the fastest growing sport in America. Those looking to learn more about this sport, please check out usapickleball.org.

Should you have any questions or comments, please call the Community Services Department at (626) 256-8246.



To learn more about this new sport, go to usapickleball.org

Next Steps

- Continue to evaluate the use of the Tennis Courts
- Work with Public Works to paint the Pickleball Overlay Court lines
 - Tentatively scheduled for January 10 13, 2022
- Post Court Use Notification Ready to post signs Wednesday, December 22
- Post Pickleball Court Rules Staff is currently reviewing and preparing rules for posting once the courts are open to the public
- Continue to evaluate the use of the Courts following the implementation of the Pickleball Overlay
 - Incorporate any findings into future park improvements

Questions?

