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From: Susan Belleville <susan.belleville@att.net>
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To: CityClerk <CityClerk@longbeach.gov>
Subject: We need more Pickleball Courts PLEASE!

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Dear Council Members,

We urge you to consider expanding pickleball courts at Marina Vista Park for the following benefits:

1. **Health:** Pickleball offers full-body exercise, improving cardiovascular health and muscle strength. (I've never felt healthier in my 64 years)!
2. **Social:** It fosters community and friendships, benefiting mental well-being. (We have made so many great new friendships it's unbelievable)!
3. **Inclusivity:** The sport is accessible to people of all ages and skill levels. (That's a fact and so fun)!
4. **Economic:** New courts can boost local business traffic. (I don't want more traffic but I know it helps the local business owners, so that's good). 😊😊
5. **Low-Cost:** Courts are affordable to build and maintain. (Less money and tons more fun and involvement than tennis courts or basketball courts)!!
6. **Eco-Friendly:** Requires less land and resources compared to other sports facilities.

We request the Council to:

- Assess Marina Vista Park for court suitability.
- Allocate necessary funds.
- Promote the sport in community events.
- Please continue to make Long Beach desirable and more pickleball courts will help. 😊🗨️

Thank you,

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