

## MEMORANDUM

TO: Park Advisory Commission

FROM: Colin Smith, Parks & Recreation Services Manager

DATE: October 20, 2020

SUBJECT: Burns Park Tennis and Pickleball Courts

Attached for your review and approval is a resolution supporting the reconfiguration of the Burns Park Tennis Courts from four tennis courts to three tennis courts and two pickleball courts.

### Project Description

The Burns Park tennis courts are in need of repair, providing an opportunity to add pickleball if desired by the community. A survey was put out to the community to gauge interest in adding pickleball courts to the park. The survey, open from June 26 - July 15, asked community members to vote on one of three options for the future configuration of the Burns Park courts. We received 219 survey responses from the community and 69 comments. The survey was advertised on NextDoor, GovDelivery, Facebook, Twitter and via mail to residents who live within 1/4 mile of the park.

Based on survey results and comments received, the community strongly favored incorporating permanent pickleball infrastructure in the redesign. Please refer to the survey response and individual comments on the attached survey response sheet.

Currently, there are only six dedicated pickleball courts in the City of Ann Arbor Parks and Recreation System, all located at Leslie Park. There are 25 (24 if this resolution is approved) tennis courts at 13 locations in the City of Ann Arbor Parks and Recreation System.

City Staff produced a follow-up letter informing the community of the survey results and shared that the information would be presented to the Parks Advisory Commission meeting on Tuesday, September 15. There were no public comments related to the survey or tennis court/pickleball conversation at the September 15 meeting.

Please refer to the attachment for a graphic showing the proposed layout of a reconfigured Burns Park Tennis and Pickleball Courts.

RESOLUTION TO APPROVE RECONFIGURING THE BURNS PARK TENNIS  
COURTS FROM FOUR TENNIS COURTS TO THREE TENNIS COURTS AND TWO  
PICKLEBALL COURTS

Whereas, Burns Park currently has four tennis courts that are in poor condition and need to be resurfaced,

Whereas, Requests for dedicated Pickleball courts were noted in the PROS Plan as well as community meetings,

Whereas, Leslie Park has the only dedicated pickleball courts in the City of Ann Arbor Parks and Recreation system,

RESOLVED, That the Park Advisory Commission approves reconfiguring the Burns Park Tennis Courts from four tennis courts to three tennis courts and two pickleball courts.