

CITY OF WALNUT  
PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION AGENDA  
WALNUT CITY HALL  
21201 LA PUENTE ROAD, WALNUT  
NOVEMBER 16, 2021

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CITY OF WALNUT  
PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION

1. CALL TO ORDER 7:00 P.M.
2. FLAG SALUTE COMMISSIONER CAJULIS
3. ROLL CALL COMMISSIONERS CAJULIS, LEPP, MUNGUIA, PEDERSEN & POLLALIS
4. MINUTES REGULAR MINUTES OF OCTOBER 19, 2021

5. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

Any person may present public testimony at this time. If any person wishes to address the Parks and Recreation Commission on any item on the agenda or on any other matter, please present your testimony at this time, and please limit your comments to three minutes. The Commission may choose to remove the item for discussion.

The Chairperson may impose reasonable limitations on public comments to assure an orderly and timely meeting. When addressing the Commission, please write your name and address on the sheet provided on the podium.

6. WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS

7. CONSENT CALENDAR

A. Parks and Maintenance Report for October 2021

Recommendation: Receive and file.

B. Administratively Approved Park Use Requests October 2021

Recommendation: Receive and file.

C. Recreation Division Activities Summary October 2021

Recommendation: Receive and file.

8. ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT CALENDAR

9. DISCUSSION

A. Discussion: Pickleball Programs and Facilities

1. Discuss the preliminary results of the tennis court use monitoring; and
2. Revisit the open discussion regarding the possibility of adding pickleball programs and/or court(s) to the City's recreation offerings and identify next step(s).

10. COMMISSION ITEMS

11. STAFF ITEMS

A. Upcoming Recreation Programs/Events

12. ANNOUNCEMENTS

13. ADJOURNMENT

Minutes of the Regular Meeting  
of the Parks and Recreation Commission  
of the City of Walnut

A regular meeting of the City of Walnut Parks and Recreation Commission was held on Tuesday, October 19, 2021.

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order by C/Pollalis at 7:02 p.m.

FLAG SALUTE: Commissioner Pollalis

ROLL CALL:

PRESENT: Commissioners Cajulis, Munguia, Pedersen & Pollalis

ABSENT: Commissioners Lepp

Also present at the meeting were Assistant City Manager-Community Services/Public Works Rooney, Community Services Superintendent Barcelo, Community Services Superintendent Bumia, & Executive Assistant Vermeer.

MINUTES:

C/Cajulis made a motion, seconded by C/Pedersen and was carried 3-0 to approve the minutes on September 21, 2021.

AYES: Cajulis, Pedersen & Pollalis

ABSENT: Lepp

ABSTAIN: Munguia

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS:

WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS:

CONSENT CALENDAR:

C/Pedersen made a motion, seconded by C/Munguia and carried 4-0, to accept items 7A – 7C under Consent Calendar as recommended.

AYES: Cajulis, Munguia, Pedersen & Pollalis

ABSENT: Lepp

ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT CALENDAR:

DISCUSSION:

C/Pollalis made a motion, seconded by C/Pedersen and was carried 4-0, to direct staff to monitor tennis courts usage at Walnut Ranch Park for one month.

C/Pedersen made a motion, seconded by C/Munguia and was carried 4-0, to have staff look into costs of setting up a pilot pickleball program.

COMMISSION ITEMS:

STAFF ITEMS:

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business to come before the Commission, the meeting adjourned at 8:26 p.m.

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Chairperson

ATTEST:

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Executive Assistant



## AGENDA ITEM 7A

- Consent Calendar
- Discussion

**WALNUT PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION**

**AGENDA DATE: NOVEMBER 16, 2021**

**TO: Parks and Recreation Commission**

**VIA: Mary Rooney, Assistant City Manager: Community Services/Public Works**

**FROM: Melissa Barcelo, Community Services Superintendent *MB***

**SUBJECT: Parks Maintenance Report for October 2021**

**RECOMMENDATION:**

It is recommended by staff that the Parks and Recreation Commission receive and file the Parks Maintenance Report for October 2021.

**BACKGROUND:**

This report is prepared and provided for the Parks and Recreation Commission for review and information on the current status of the maintenance and operations of the City of Walnut's Park system.

The Maintenance Division of the Community Services Department manages general park maintenance at all City parks. General maintenance is performed largely by a landscape maintenance contractor and some by the City staff. The general maintenance includes mowing, edging, hedging, pruning of shrubs and trees, as well as the monitoring of rodents and pests. It also includes irrigation audits and playground inspections. Restroom maintenance services are provided by the custodial contractor. Park restrooms are open and maintained seven days a week, with the exception of two holidays per year (Thanksgiving Day and Christmas Day).

City parks with sports fields are maintained at an optimum level through the services of sports field specialists. City staff augments the maintenance services through regular inspections and audits of the fields.

City maintenance staff also performs special projects in all parks including graffiti removal and playground equipment repairs. In order to conform to California playground standards, staff performs playground inspections on a weekly basis.

Additional maintenance activities for the division in October included the following:

Arroyo:

- Conducted weekly inspections of park.

Butterfield:

- Treated for Fire Ants during the month.

Country Hollow:

- Conducted weekly inspections of park.

Creekside:

- Reseeded turf areas in the north side of park.
- Treated for Fire Ants during the month.
- Removed graffiti during the month.

Heidelberg:

- Conducted weekly inspections of park.

Lemon:

- Removed debris from creek area within the park.
- Unclogged toilet in Men's restroom.
- Removed graffiti during the month.

Norm Ashley:

- Conducted weekly inspections of park.

Snow Creek:

- Repaired Men's restroom urinal.
- Removed graffiti during the month.

Suzanne:

- Removed graffiti during the month.
- Added chip mulch to planters around east parking lot
- North Men's restroom-replaced 2 lights.
- North Women's restroom –replaced 1 light.
- Assisted with planting dedication tree for Women's Club.
- Treated for Fire Ants during the month.

Walnut Hills:

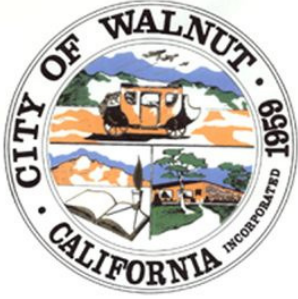
- Conducted weekly inspections of the park.

Walnut Ranch:

- Replaced hose bib next to restrooms.
- Treated for Fire Ants during the month.

**RELATION TO MISSION STATEMENT:**

We will enhance civic pride by offering superior facilities and programs.



## AGENDA ITEM 7B

- Consent Calendar
- Discussion

**WALNUT PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION**

**AGENDA DATE: NOVEMBER 16, 2021**

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**TO: Parks and Recreation Commission**

**VIA: Mary Rooney, Assistant City Manager - Community Services/Public Works**

**FROM: Chris Vermeer, Executive Assistant**

**SUBJECT: Administratively Approved Park Use Requests – October 2021**

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### **RECOMMENDATION:**

It is recommended that the Parks and Recreation Commission receive and file this informational report.

### **ANALYSIS:**

Attached, please find a list of park use requests that were administratively approved during the month of September in addition, staff included requests that were administratively approved since August and have been reviewed by the Commission during previous meetings.

### **RELATION TO MISSION STATEMENT:**

We will enhance civic pride by offering superior facilities and programs.



Location	Date	Day	Start - End Time	Event	Attend/Qty
Creekside Picnic Area	Aug 14, 2021	Saturday	01:00 PM - 08:00 PM	Birthday	50
	Aug 21, 2021	Saturday	04:00 PM - 09:00 PM	Birthday	25
	Aug 22, 2021	Sunday	02:00 PM - 07:00 PM	Birthday	50
	Aug 28, 2021	Saturday	02:00 PM - 06:00 PM	Picnic	50
	Aug 29, 2021	Sunday	08:00 AM - 12:00 PM	Picnic	40
	Sep 5, 2021	Sunday	09:00 AM - 05:00 PM	Birthday	25
	Sep 18, 2021	Saturday	02:00 PM - 06:00 PM	Picnic	15
	Oct 16, 2021	Saturday	09:30 AM - 01:00 PM	Bridal Shower	50
Lemon Creek Picnic Area	Aug 1, 2021	Sunday	09:00 AM - 03:00 PM	Picnic	40
	Aug 7, 2021	Saturday	10:00 AM - 03:00 PM	Baby Shower	50
	Aug 8, 2021	Sunday	12:00 PM - 05:00 PM	Picnic	100
	Aug 14, 2021	Saturday	10:00 AM - 06:00 PM	Birthday	149
	Aug 15, 2021	Sunday	12:00 PM - 08:00 PM	Birthday	75
	Aug 21, 2021	Saturday	04:30 PM - 08:00 PM	Picnic	50
	Aug 29, 2021	Sunday	09:00 AM - 06:00 PM	Baby Shower	50
	Sep 4, 2021	Saturday	01:00 PM - 06:00 PM	Baby Shower	100
	Sep 11, 2021	Saturday	09:00 AM - 07:00 PM	Birthday	70
	Sep 12, 2021	Sunday	12:00 PM - 05:30 PM	Baby Shower	50
	Sep 18, 2021	Saturday	09:00 AM - 09:00 PM	Baby Shower	75
	Sep 19, 2021	Sunday	01:00 PM - 07:00 PM	Birthday	50
	Sep 25, 2021	Saturday	03:00 PM - 07:00 PM	Picnic	100
	Sep 26, 2021	Sunday	11:00 AM - 05:00 PM	Birthday	50
	Oct 2, 2021	Saturday	08:00 AM - 08:00 PM	Birthday	60
	Oct 3, 2021	Sunday	12:00 PM - 07:00 PM	Baby Shower	60
	Oct 9, 2021	Saturday	01:00 PM - 06:00 PM	Baby Shower	90
	Oct 10, 2021	Sunday	02:00 PM - 05:00 PM	Birthday	30
	Oct 16, 2021	Saturday	11:00 AM - 09:00 PM	Baby Shower	50
	Oct 17, 2021	Sunday	10:00 AM - 06:00 PM	Birthday	50
Oct 23, 2021	Saturday	02:00 PM - 06:00 PM	Baby Shower	80	
Oct 24, 2021	Sunday	10:00 AM - 07:00 PM	Birthday	50	
Snow Creek Picnic Area	Aug 14, 2021	Saturday	09:00 AM - 04:30 PM	Picnic	30
	Sep 11, 2021	Saturday	12:00 PM - 06:00 PM	Picnic	35
	Sep 18, 2021	Saturday	08:30 AM - 10:30 AM	Picnic	30
	Sep 19, 2021	Sunday	12:00 PM - 05:00 PM	Picnic	30
	Oct 3, 2021	Sunday	01:00 PM - 05:00 PM	Baby Shower	30
	Oct 16, 2021	Saturday	12:00 PM - 08:00 PM	Baby Shower	60
Snow Creek Picnic Area	Aug 1, 2021	Sunday	03:00 PM - 09:00 PM	Picnic	60
	Aug 7, 2021	Saturday	12:00 PM - 05:00 PM	Picnic	149
	Aug 21, 2021	Saturday	09:00 AM - 12:00 PM	Picnic	16
	Sep 4, 2021	Saturday	09:00 AM - 12:00 PM	Picnic	16
	Sep 5, 2021	Sunday	04:00 PM - 08:00 PM	Picnic	85
	Sep 11, 2021	Saturday	04:00 PM - 08:00 PM	Picnic	60
	Sep 18, 2021	Saturday	09:00 AM - 06:00 PM	Family Picnic	100
	Sep 19, 2021	Sunday	12:00 PM - 04:00 PM	Baby Shower	60
	Sep 25, 2021	Saturday	09:00 AM - 05:00 PM	Picnic	35
	Sep 26, 2021	Sunday	11:30 AM - 04:00 PM	Reunion	50
	Oct 2, 2021	Saturday	02:00 PM - 06:00 PM	Picnic	40
	Oct 3, 2021	Sunday	11:00 AM - 06:00 PM	Birthday	25
	Oct 16, 2021	Saturday	12:00 PM - 07:00 PM	Reunion	50
	Oct 23, 2021	Saturday	07:00 AM - 07:00 PM	Birthday	40
Oct 24, 2021	Sunday	02:00 PM - 04:00 PM	Meeting	40	



## AGENDA ITEM 7C

- Consent Calendar  
 Discussion

**WALNUT PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION**

**AGENDA DATE: NOVEMBER 16, 2021**

**TO: Parks and Recreation Commission**  
**VIA: Mary Rooney, Assistant City Manager - Community Services/Public Works**  
**FROM: Jamie Bumia, Community Services Superintendent *JB***  
**SUBJECT: Recreation Division Activities Summary**

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**RECOMMENDATION:**

Staff recommends that the Parks and Recreation Commission receive and file this report.

**BACKGROUND:**

This report is prepared and provided for the Parks and Recreation Commission for review and information on the Recreation Programs that occurred during the month of October.

**SENIOR PROGRAMS:**

Staff continues to provide older adults in the community with pressing social services opportunities.

**HOME DELIVERY OF SENIOR NUTRITION LUNCH PROGRAM**

Staff continues to coordinate the County Nutrition Program for older adults, which had been a congregate meal program at the Walnut Senior Center. The program is operated as a hybrid pick-up/home delivery program. Those residents who cannot leave their home continue to receive home delivered meals, while others are scheduled for drive-through (no contact) picked up. Los Angeles County expects this service to continue until January of 2022.

To address the potential increase in food insecurity experienced by older adults as the pandemic continues, the County continues to provide seven meals per week (two fresh, five frozen). On Thursdays, staff bundles the meals into bags, along with milk and fruit, which are then distributed. Staff spends approximately five hours on Thursdays packaging the meals, conducting the deliveries, and cleaning up.

SENIOR PROGRAMS & SEMINARS:

Fall recreation classes began in August (with modifications and limited capacity) indoors at the Walnut Senior Center.

MT. SAC OLDER ADULT CLASSES:

Registration for the fall 2021 Older Adult classes through Mt San Antonio College took place on Monday, August 2 for residents. Walnut Residents had one week priority window to register for the 17 course being offered, from fitness to computer, jewelry to gardening. All classes are limited capacity in order to maintain social distance. Any persons unable to register due to capacity will have the opportunity to alternate virtual programs.

Classes began the week of August 23 and will be held for 16 weeks through the third week of December. All persons attending class will be required to wear mask and staff will be scheduled to serve a facility monitors to ensure that all participants are adhering to the Los Angeles County Department of Public Health guidelines.

FREE LITTLE LIBRARY

Donated books are displayed on a decorated a cart in front of the Walnut Senior Center. A hand-sanitization station is set next to the cart. This popular program is available Mondays through Fridays from 8:00 am to 4:00 pm.

GROW GROUP COUNSELING

The Senior Group GROW Group Counseling program has transitioned from a virtual forum to in person. GROW meets the first Friday of every month from 9:00 am to 11:00 am. Participants ages 55 and older are welcome and encourage to learn new skills that will allow them to GROW. Masking and social distancing are required.

WEEKLY ACTIVITIES:

The Walnut Senior Center has open their doors to the public welcoming back a few of the social groups including Mahjong, Bridge, Billiards and Tole Painting. All social groups have designated meeting times with the exception of Billiards, which is open Monday through Friday from 8:00 am to 5:00 pm. Masks are required of all participants and eating indoors (which would involve the removal of a mask) is not permitted at this time.

Mahjong	Monday/Friday	9:00 am to 12:00 noon
Tole Painting	Monday	10:00 am to 12:00 noon
Chinese Brush Painting	Tuesday	10:00 am to 12:00 noon
Bridge	Tuesday	12:00 noon to 3:00 pm
Senior Club (Bingo)	Wednesdays	12:00 noon to 3:00 pm

## **TEEN CENTER:**

The Teen Center is open for the 2021-22 school year, regular hours are Monday through Friday from 2:00 pm to 7:00 pm and Thursdays from 12:30 to 7:00 pm for Suzanne's Early Out Days. Teens in 6<sup>th</sup> through 12<sup>th</sup> grade enjoy activities including sports, crafts, movies, board games and snacks. Teens also have access to various textbooks and computers to complete their schoolwork between the hours of 3:00 pm to 5:00 pm Monday through Thursday. On Fridays, the Teen Center hosts Film Fridays between the hours of 3:00 pm and 5:00 pm where teens are shown a movie on the projector screen. Parents have the option of purchasing the entire school year for \$100 or by semester for \$55 per semester.

Masks are required at all times and social distancing protocols are in place. The outdoor area in front of the Teen Center has been equipped with tables and chairs for teens who wish to eat a snack (eating inside is currently not permitted).

There are currently 275 registered members of the Walnut Teen Center.

Every Tuesday in the month of October, the Teen Center hosted Special Treat Tuesdays where we sold Spooky Punch, Witches Brooms, Mummy Brownies, and Vampire Drinks. The price ranging from \$0.50- \$1.00 each.

### **Virtual Youth and Family Counseling**

The Youth and Family Group Counseling program is conducted every Monday at 6:00 pm at the Walnut Teen Center. Masking and social distancing are required.

## **SPORTS LEAGUES & CLASSES:**

### **Classes**

Limited-capacity, reservation-based singles badminton and table tennis continues at the Walnut Gymnasium. There is a small fee of \$10 (\$5 per person) for a one-hour time block for either program. Limited tables are set-up to maintain capacity limitations and social distance separation.

Staff is preparing for a late fall WYB League (registration began in September with practices starting in November and games beginning in December). The League dates may be affected by Los Angeles County Health Department COVID-19 testing requirements for indoor youth sports. Staff is monitoring the requirements.

## **SENIOR/COMMUNITY EXCURSIONS:**

Registration for fall 2021 excursions opened Monday, August 16 for residents. Due to uncertainty created by the global pandemic, staff has adopted a cautious approach to booking excursions. The focus is on outdoor venues for fall. Capacity for trips has been reduced to half in order to meet the busing company and venue guidelines. Masking is required on the bus and any indoor location (optional outdoors).

Senior Excursions

Los Angeles Farmers Market & the Grove **(full)**  
Tuesday, October 19 – 8:30 am to 2:30 pm

The Getty Villa Experience **(full)**  
Monday, November 8 – 8:30 am to 4:30 pm

Holiday Gondola Getaway **(full)**  
Tuesday, December 14 – 2:00 pm to 8:30 pm

Community Excursions

Oktoberfest in Old World (Huntington Beach)  
Saturday, October 16  
4:30 pm to 11:30 pm

Winter Fantasy Sawdust Festival  
Saturday, November 13 - 9:00 to 4:00 pm

Mission Inn: Festival of Lights & Dinner **(full)**  
Friday, December 3 – 4:5 pm to 11:15 pm

Events

The Peddler's Market  
Saturday, November 13  
8:00 am to 1:00 pm  
Walnut Senior Center Parking Lot

**RECREATION CLASSES:**

Fall recreation classes began in August (with modifications and limited capacity). Classes are held indoors at the Walnut Senior Center or the Walnut Gymnasium.

**SPECIAL EVENTS:**

*Family Festival*

The annual Family Festival was held on Saturday, October 9 from 9:00am to 5:00pm at Suzanne Park. The Festival was very well-attended and positive comments were received from Councilmembers, attendees, and vendors. One of the most popular areas was the free attractions for kids, including game booths, petting zoo, and photo opportunities. The stage was full of life featuring bands Them Kool Kats, DSB Band, and Cold Duck

*Mostly Ghostly : Trunk or Treat*

Mostly Ghosly was held on Sunday, October 31 at the Senior Center Parking Lot from 6 :00 pm to 8 :30 pm. This extremely well- attended event had approximately 1,200 attendees. The event

itself featured 18 decorated volunteer trunks in a closed off parking lot for all to enjoy and get a candy at each stop. The event featured scavenger hunts, word searches, and photo opportunities. The event concluded with the top three voted trunks awarded with a trophy.

MR: jb



## **AGENDA ITEM 9A**

- Consent Calendar
- Discussion

**PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION AGENDA**

**DATE: NOVEMBER 16, 2021**

**To: Chairperson Polalis and Members of the Commission**

**From: Mary Rooney, Assistant City Manager: Community Services/Public Works**

**SUBJECT: FOLLOW UP DISCUSSION: PICKLEBALL PROGRAMS AND FACILITIES**

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### **RECOMMENDATION:**

Staff recommends that the Parks and Recreation Commission:

1. Discuss the preliminary results of the tennis court use monitoring; and
2. Revisit the open discussion regarding the possibility of adding pickleball programs and/or court(s) to the City's recreation offerings and identify next step(s).

### **BACKGROUND:**

Pickleball is a paddleball sport that combines elements of badminton, table tennis, and tennis and has been growing rapidly in popularity in recent years. In 2019, Walnut began offering a program for open pickleball play in the Gymnasium on Saturdays from 5PM – 8PM until LA County Department of Public Health (LACDPH) restrictions halted it. In the year the program was in place, participation was low and sporadic with an average of less than four people and often no people in attendance. With competing interests for Gym time, this program did not seem to have adequate attendance to be sustainable so it has not been revived post LACDPH restrictions. That said, since most municipal pickleball courts are outdoors, staff speculates the program's lack of popularity was likely due to (a) restrictive hours (b) lack of visibility, and (c) the indoor setting.

Citing the success of new facilities in neighboring cities Diamond Bar and Chino Hills, Council Member Freedman requested the Commission consider adding pickleball court(s) in Walnut to allow for sustained free (outdoor) play and to meet the demand of this growing sport.

To enhance the Commission discussion, staff conducted an informal survey over social media to explore interest in the sport and the potential ways to bring a facility to Walnut (Attachment A).

At the October 19<sup>th</sup> Meeting, the Commission discussed the possibility of adding pickleball programs and/or facilities in the City. One alternative was to place temporary courts on one of the three tennis courts at Walnut Ranch Park. With that, the Commission voted to spend the next month reviewing tennis court usage and also to determine a cost estimate for the temporary courts should the Commission wish to recommend proceeding with their installation.

In order to retain continuity, the original analysis and Attachments A and B from the October agenda item have been included in this report. Attachments C and D have been added to answer the Commission's request from the October Meeting and are discussed at the end of the analysis.

### **Analysis:**

That pickleball is growing in popularity is undeniable. It has unique elements that make it an easy game to play for all ages and is noteworthy as being particularly suitable for older players, adding to its appeal and relevance to an aging population.

With that, the obvious obstacle in Walnut would be that there are currently no municipal courts. In looking at the cost of constructing a new facility, projecting sustainable use to amortize the expenditure of public funds is an important consideration. Is it a short-term trend (think roller hockey, handball, paddleball) or a popular recreational activity that is here to stay (think skateboard parks, basketball courts, swimming pools, tennis courts)?

If the Commission decides to explore alternative ways to provide dedicated courts for pickleball, while there may not be an alternative that meets the optimum criteria for a prospective location, it is none-the-less helpful to have a model in mind to serve as a way to filter and discuss each alternative. While not an exhaustive list, the ideal location for pickleball courts (or programs) would:

1. Be cost effective and expedient.
2. Offer a wide array of hours for play.
3. Provide multiple courts and waiting areas.
4. Provide easy pedestrian access and dedicated parking.
5. Be lighted for evening play.
6. Be sufficiently buffered from residents and businesses (the decibels of pickleball are loud as compared to tennis. Noise complaints are common).
7. Be considerate of existing recreational uses and users (e.g., removing tennis courts to put in pickleball courts may be controversial).

In running some preliminary alternatives through the model (Attachment B), it seems that item one (cost effective and expedient) can be inversely related to items two through seven; meaning that some of the most cost effective alternatives may fall short on one or more of these items. With that, the Commission needs to weigh the importance of expediting pickleball facilities to the community along with evaluating the importance of each criteria to determine next steps. Attachment C shows the informal survey of tennis court use. As predicted, the tennis courts are



used most days with full use depicted during peak use hours (evenings and weekends). It would be likely the desirable times for pickleball use would mirror these. In short, constructing temporary pickleball courts would displace current uses by tennis players. Attachment D, shows a configuration and cost estimates to create temporary court(s) onsite at Walnut Ranch Park.

**RELATION TO MISSION STATEMENT:**

*We will collaborate by encouraging open discussion.*



## Outdoor Pickleball in the City of Walnut

Pickleball is the fastest growing sport in the USA and enjoyed by all ages. Through this brief survey, we want to gather feedback and interest on creating an opportunity to play outdoor pickleball in the City of Walnut.



\* Required



Are you a Walnut resident? \*

- Yes
- No

Age Range \*

- Under 18
- 18-40
- 40-60
- 60 and older

How would you rate your awareness in and interest of Pickleball? \*

- I've played pickleball, but I'm not playing regularly
- I'm aware of pickleball, but have yet to play
- I am not aware of pickleball, but would be interested in learning more
- I'm not interested in pickleball

Would you be most in favor of (please pick one) \*

- Building a pickleball court at a new location
- Offering set pickleball times on an existing tennis court

Please provide any additional thoughts, ideas, or comments you may have:

Your answer

Submit

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**Outdoor Pickleball in the City of Walnut**

Timestamp	Please provide any additional thoughts, ideas, or comments you may have:
2021/09/21 12:50:33 PM MDT	
2021/09/21 1:15:01 PM MDT	
2021/09/21 1:48:46 PM MDT	Love that you are putting this out to the public! Yeah!
2021/09/21 2:12:59 PM MDT	Need at least eight courts two in each park
2021/09/21 2:24:49 PM MDT	
2021/09/21 3:24:03 PM MDT	
2021/09/21 3:31:14 PM MDT	
2021/09/21 3:37:18 PM MDT	Make sure the courts are not close to houses. Many communities have complaints from neighbors living near pickle ball courts of the annoying sound made by the pickle ball. Perhaps limit hours, as well.
2021/09/21 3:42:04 PM MDT	
2021/09/21 3:42:10 PM MDT	
2021/09/21 3:45:01 PM MDT	Currently, walnut doesn't have many tennis courts. Therefore, setting up new pickle ball courts would be ideal.
2021/09/21 3:58:16 PM MDT	this is a great multiage, social activity. We are missing the boat if we don't make something like this happen.
2021/09/21 4:13:14 PM MDT	Please do not use existing tennis courts for pickleball. It is already hard to reserve tennis courts as it is today. We need a bigger facility that can house more tennis courts and pickleball courts.
2021/09/21 4:27:59 PM MDT	We enjoy playing pickleball. It is a fun sport for seniors.
2021/09/21 4:38:02 PM MDT	
2021/09/21 4:47:21 PM MDT	Maybe convert Walnut high school tennis courts to Pickleball.
2021/09/21 5:18:45 PM MDT	
2021/09/21 5:24:42 PM MDT	I've heard of it but have no idea what or how you play
2021/09/21 5:45:19 PM MDT	
2021/09/21 6:29:20 PM MDT	How about at Suzanne park.
2021/09/21 7:28:06 PM MDT	
2021/09/21 8:58:46 PM MDT	
2021/09/21 9:38:30 PM MDT	Walnut has a huge tennis community. Please do not take away from the already packed courts in the city.
2021/09/21 9:42:03 PM MDT	The tennis courts are already crowded so converting one would be horrible. Build more tennis courts.
2021/09/21 9:42:13 PM MDT	Please do not transfer current tennis courts into pickle all courts.
2021/09/21 9:44:53 PM MDT	There is lots of room to install new pickle ball somewhere rather than the new courts. We play tennis a lot and there are not enough tennis courts already so this would delay us playing even longer.
2021/09/21 9:45:21 PM MDT	
2021/09/21 9:49:45 PM MDT	A similar conversion happened at a tennis court in chino hills and the entire tennis community gathered to try to fight it. It was over rules and has now further impacted the tennis courts.
2021/09/21 9:54:48 PM MDT	all and it is fun for all ages! I don't live in Walnut but my parents do. My parents are in their upper 60s and do not have FB to take this survey. My dad loves playing basketball at the community center.
2021/09/21 9:59:25 PM MDT	Please don't get rid of existing tennis courts for pickleball...
2021/09/21 10:27:57 PM MDT	Tennis > Pickleball
2021/09/21 10:44:07 PM MDT	Walnut needs more tennis courts!! The Walnut Ranch location is occupied by the same crew every weekend and makes it difficult to get a court to play. Please build more tennis courts over pickleball courts.
2021/09/21 10:59:31 PM MDT	
2021/09/21 10:59:57 PM MDT	
2021/09/21 11:03:38 PM MDT	
2021/09/21 11:07:09 PM MDT	
2021/09/21 11:14:43 PM MDT	
2021/09/21 11:18:01 PM MDT	
2021/09/21 11:23:17 PM MDT	Please don't use Walnut Buzz for government business. It is a biased and racist page.
2021/09/21 11:34:26 PM MDT	
2021/09/21 11:36:42 PM MDT	
2021/09/22 12:00:24 AM MDT	
2021/09/22 12:21:29 AM MDT	New pickle ball courts, we don't have enough tennis courts as it is
2021/09/22 12:42:44 AM MDT	
2021/09/22 12:59:09 AM MDT	
2021/09/22 1:17:49 AM MDT	
2021/09/22 1:42:45 AM MDT	
2021/09/22 1:48:05 AM MDT	
2021/09/22 1:49:06 AM MDT	Pickleball is the fastest growing sport. I picked it up during the pandemic and have been playing regularly in Diamond bar and chino hills. Would love for Walnut to have one.
2021/09/22 1:50:50 AM MDT	I am a local business owner and my patients introduced me to pickleball. I started playing and have found it to be so much fun. I have been recommending it to a lot of my patients.
2021/09/22 1:53:31 AM MDT	My husband and I love pickleball and have been playing regularly. We have made a lot of friends and have become part of a community.
2021/09/22 1:53:59 AM MDT	Great idea. If you don't build this at least build a dog park.
2021/09/22 1:54:58 AM MDT	Such a safe and easy to learn sport!
2021/09/22 1:55:49 AM MDT	Such a fun sport. Currently driving to Monterey park and Pasadena to play.
2021/09/22 1:58:17 AM MDT	This is such a good idea! I myself play pickleball regularly. The other day I was on a walk and we saw a family playing pickleball in their front yard. Happy to see that the sport is growing!!
2021/09/22 2:04:40 AM MDT	Pickleball brings people together. I have played pickleball at so many parks and everyone is always so friendly!
2021/09/22 2:07:48 AM MDT	Build it at creekside!
2021/09/22 2:08:10 AM MDT	Yes yes yes
2021/09/22 2:08:51 AM MDT	A sport that can be enjoyed by all ages
2021/09/22 2:27:00 AM MDT	
2021/09/22 2:27:52 AM MDT	Spent a lot of time on the court meeting new friends!
2021/09/22 7:09:20 AM MDT	Only need a new set of lines on existing courts. Or lines in the backcourt with a movable net set up. It a great way to exercise for older tennis players. I play once a week on a court in another city.
2021/09/22 8:02:53 AM MDT	
2021/09/22 8:24:03 AM MDT	
2021/09/22 9:53:42 AM MDT	I have traveled all over looking for a pickleball game, but mostly play in diamond bar where pickelball has grown from a core of 8 to 12 players to over 50 waiting to play on four courts.
2021/09/22 9:57:30 AM MDT	
2021/09/22 9:59:23 AM MDT	
2021/09/22 10:58:02 AM MDT	
2021/09/22 11:02:41 AM MDT	
2021/09/22 11:02:58 AM MDT	
2021/09/22 11:20:18 AM MDT	
2021/09/22 11:31:45 AM MDT	
2021/09/22 12:46:07 PM MDT	Can we make more soccer fields
2021/09/22 12:49:21 PM MDT	
2021/09/22 1:58:33 PM MDT	
2021/09/22 2:47:27 PM MDT	Pls do not use the senior center for this. Center was to be used only for seniors.
2021/09/22 3:04:54 PM MDT	Please do not convert any of the 3 existing tennis courts at Westhoff to pickle ball. They're already in high demand and taking away any would be even harder to play tennis in Walnut.
2021/09/22 3:10:16 PM MDT	I've seen tennis courts with pickleball lines too. You can play either.
2021/09/22 4:44:26 PM MDT	
2021/09/22 7:24:21 PM MDT	
2021/09/22 9:30:56 PM MDT	I play everyday and the nearest one we go to is in maple hill in diamond bar! Its a growing sport and as a resident would love a closer location in our city. It builds a great pickeball community and great for all ages
2021/09/22 9:42:52 PM MDT	Pickleball is very popular amongst all ages. I am 67 and play about 5 days a week. Good exercise for all ages.

**Outdoor Pickleball in the City of Walnut**

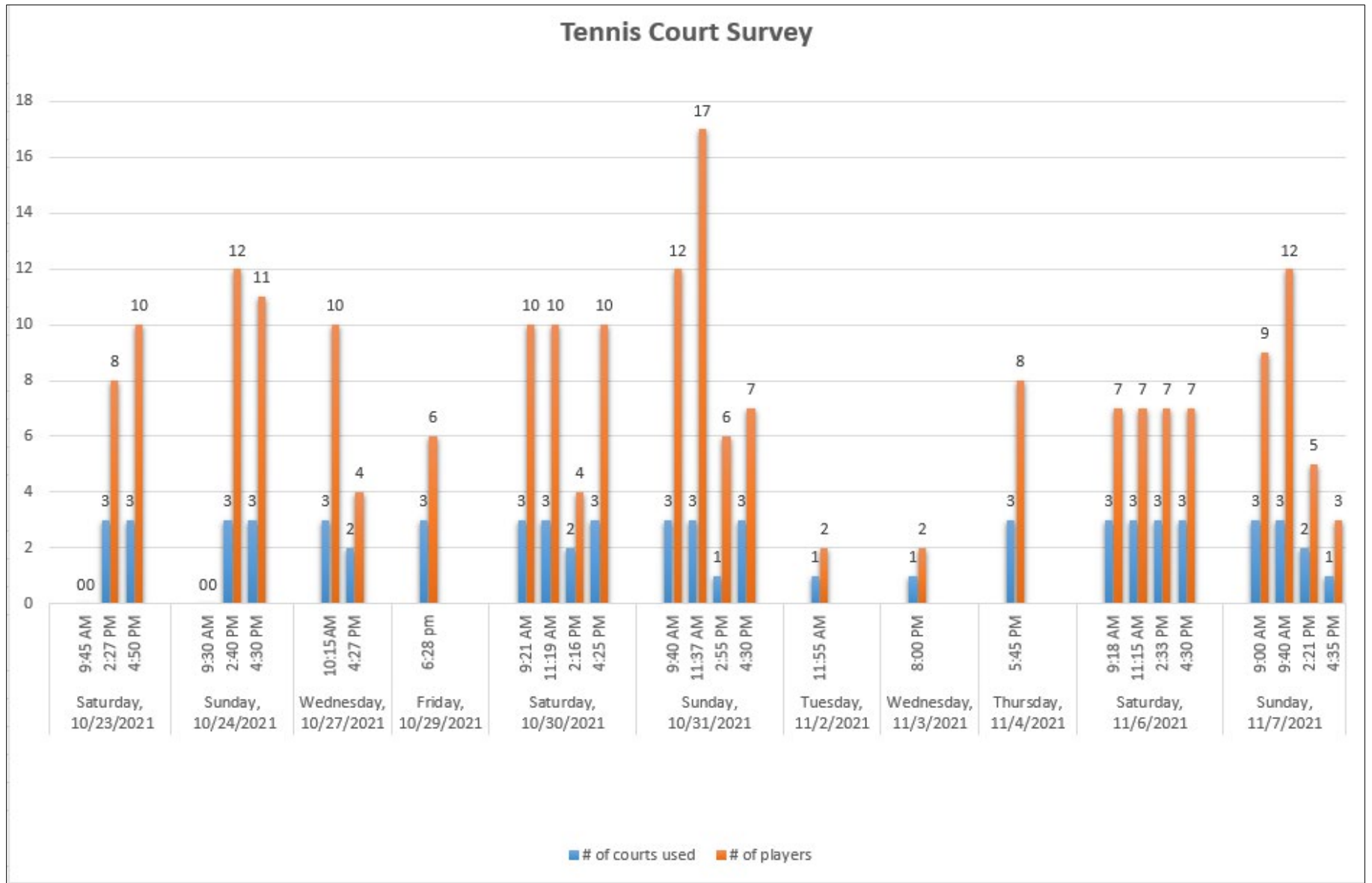
2021/09/22 10:07:07 PM MDT	
2021/09/22 10:58:12 PM MDT	Brings in revenue as an attraction to the city.
2021/09/22 11:25:01 PM MDT	
2021/09/22 11:46:07 PM MDT	
2021/09/23 12:00:00 AM MDT	
2021/09/23 12:17:40 AM MDT	
2021/09/23 6:40:48 AM MDT	Please bring pickleball to the city of Walnut!!!!
2021/09/23 8:59:47 AM MDT	
2021/09/23 9:40:37 AM MDT	Absolutely a great idea.
2021/09/23 9:41:00 AM MDT	I play with my husband and kids. Such a fun and easy sport to get into
2021/09/23 9:49:32 AM MDT	I started playing pickleball during covid and have loved it. Definitely wished there were closer courts so I wouldn't have to drive to diamond bar
2021/09/23 10:42:48 AM MDT	Pickleball is great for exercise, for family bonding, a friendly sport, fun paddle sport, and a good social sport for all ages.
2021/09/23 4:30:18 PM MDT	
2021/09/23 6:11:49 PM MDT	
2021/09/23 6:36:46 PM MDT	These courts would be amazing for our community. Great interactive activity/sport for all ages, all types of body sizes. It is also a pretty easy came to pick up.
2021/09/23 6:49:29 PM MDT	There are many daily pickle ball players traveling outside the city limits to play at other locations a converted tennis courts or new pickle ball location would benefit the city greatly. Also might I suggest age min.
2021/09/23 6:53:48 PM MDT	Because of pickleball I've lost 40 lbs. My life has changed for the better. I love pickleball!
2021/09/23 6:58:51 PM MDT	
2021/09/23 7:38:35 PM MDT	
2021/09/23 7:44:42 PM MDT	Pickleball is a great sport to bring the elderly and the youth together in a competitive but fun manner. It brings all walk's of life, faith, gender and ethnicity, uniting and uplifting each other.
2021/09/23 8:12:47 PM MDT	The third question doesn't have the correct option. I'm fully aware of pickle ball and play whenever I come home. I am a student athlete at the University of Hawaii at Manoa. Pickleball brought my family together
2021/09/24 1:25:49 PM MDT	
2021/09/24 1:28:50 PM MDT	
2021/09/24 2:32:03 PM MDT	I play pickleball regularly
2021/09/24 4:20:38 PM MDT	Would be nice
2021/09/24 5:56:19 PM MDT	
2021/09/24 8:09:05 PM MDT	I play pickleball daily with my friends that live in Walnut and we currently drive to other cities (Diamond Bar, Chino Hills, Monterey Park, San Gabriel) to play. It would be awesome to be able to play in their city
2021/09/24 8:35:12 PM MDT	
2021/09/27 1:20:17 PM MDT	This is a great idea, but I think a dog park would be more beneficial for our city
2021/09/29 4:17:55 PM MDT	
2021/10/01 10:51:47 AM MDT	The kids and interested adults will surely benefit to this new pickleball court since we are promoting a healthy lifestyle and a united community
2021/10/01 10:59:26 AM MDT	
2021/10/01 4:47:45 PM MDT	My son and I currently playing Pickleball in Diamond Bar Maple Hills Park at least 3 times a week. The courts get very crowded throughout the week. It would be really nice if Walnut can provide another loc.
2021/10/03 8:30:17 AM MDT	Currently playing both tennis and pickleball, I can say pickleball has more popularity and building courts will not be wasted. Building a pickleball center would be awesome!
2021/10/03 10:25:51 AM MDT	
2021/10/03 4:47:29 PM MDT	I have to go Chino Hills, La Habra and they have one court in Covina. Please please please get multiple courts in Walnut
2021/10/03 7:26:32 PM MDT	

**ATTACHMENT B**

**Alternatives: Pickleball**

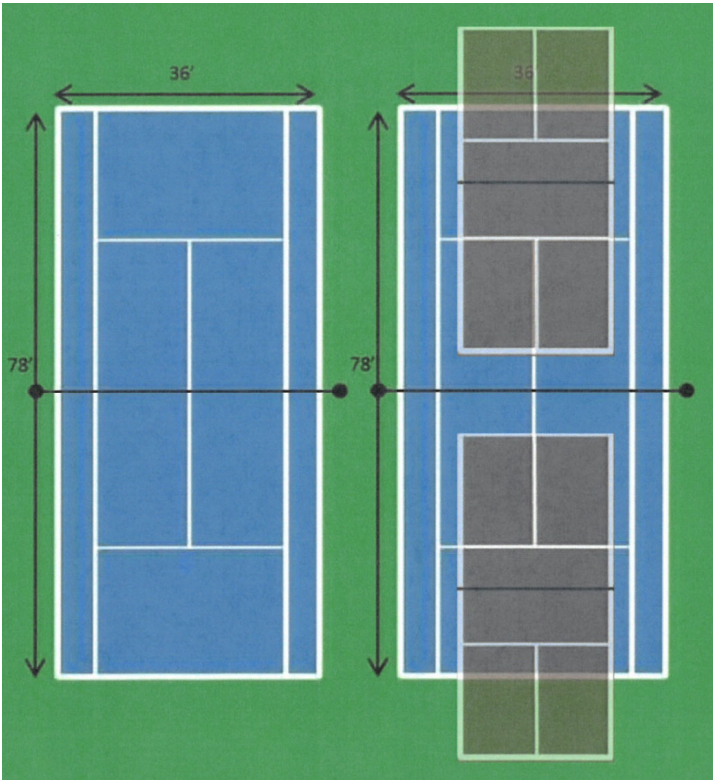
LOCATION/PROGRAM	CRITERIA						
	Cost effective/Expedient?	Wide array of hours for play?	Provide multiple courts & waiting area?	Easy pedestrian access & dedicated parking?	Lit for evening play?	Sufficiently buffered from residents/businesses?	Impact to existing amenity?
Courts Inside Gymnasium- Specific Days/Times	YES	NO	4+	YES	YES	YES	Gym Programs
Pilot Program- Temporary Courts on Existing Tennis Courts	YES	NO	2	YES	YES	YES	Tennis Courts
Replace an Existing Tennis Court with Pickleball	NO	YES	4-Feb	YES	YES	YES	Tennis Courts
Construct New Pickleball Courts at Walnut Ranch Park (North 40)	NO	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	-
Construct New Pickleball Courts at Senior Center (Existing Planter Area)	NO	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	-
Replace Basketball Courts at Norm Ashley with Pickleball Courts	NO	YES	YES	NO	YES	NO	Basketball Courts
Brookside Park	YES	YES	YES	YES	TBD	TBD	-

Attachment C





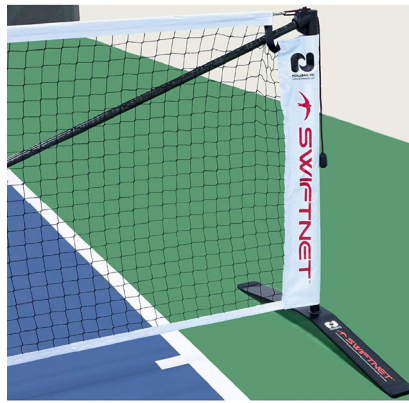
**PICKLE BALL COURT STRIPING OPTIONS:**



**Option 1: Striping Only**  
**\$ 1,430 per tennis court**

**Option 2: Striping & Poles**  
**\$ 8,790 per tennis court**

**PICKLE BALL NET OPTIONS:**



**Option 1:**  
**Freestanding Net**  
**\$369.99 each**



**Option 2:**  
**Net with Wheels**  
**\$499.00 each**