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To: Clerks Richmondhill <clerks@richmondhill.ca>
Subject: Richmond Hill Pickleball Courts Required

Good morning,

I am writing this letter to address the pickleball courts issue in our city.

I am speaking to the "Key Findings report on Parks and Recreation" Item 13.4 on the agenda

<https://pub-richmondhill.escribemeetings.com/Meeting.aspx?Id=ef5a0010-68d6-42e4-ab00-c197829057e5&Agenda=Agenda&lang=English>

I have been a Richmond Hill resident for 17 year. I started to play pickleball in Spring last year with my husband and other neighbourhood friends. We noticed we have only two outdoor Pickleball Courts in Richmond Hill, much less than other towns around us, such as Markham, Vaughan, New Market. As a group of us, we had to travel to Vaughan, New Market, or the Aurora area to play pickleball last summer.

We are requesting our city to build more pickleball courts. Lot of my friends in Richmond Hill are joining us to play pickleball in 2022, and we noticed pickleball is a fast growing sport in North America. Even my kids are starting to play pickleball now. With so few pickleball courts, we sometimes had to use the tennis courts, which created some conflict with other tennis players. We don't want the conflict to happen in our community because we are all neighbours.

Following article shows more and more Canadians are joining pickleball playing groups. I believe in Richmond Hill, there will be more and more residents coming to like pickleball as well because it is a sport with so few barriers to enter and people can play with different age levels.

<https://ottawa.ctvnews.ca/popularity-of-pickleball-surges-in-ottawa-1.5444269>

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