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To: Clerks Richmondhill <clerks@richmondhill.ca>
Subject: Pickleball Courts - Council Meeting Item14.2

To whom it may concern,

I am writing in regards to Item 14.2 on the agenda. My name is Xiaoying Piao, living at 253 Selwyn Road, Richmond Hill, ON, L4E 0P6.

I learned to play pickleball last summer, and have been playing since then. It is the fastest growing sport in North America. I loved it right away and have been playing at least twice a week. Though it is a fun sport, it is so hard to find a court in Richmond Hill. There are only two outdoor courts in Richmond Hill, and these two are shared with tennis players. There are no dedicated pickleball courts in Richmond Hill, unlike Aurora and other cities. We had to buy and use markers to play on the tennis courts.

Other cities not only have more courts, they are also building new ones. For example, our neighbor Markham is building an eight court outdoor facility on top of an existing nine court facility at Cornell.

I love living in Richmond Hill. It would be great to see more pickleball courts built in our city so that I don't need to drive a long way to Aurora, New Market or Markham to enjoy the sport.

Thank you for your consideration.

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