

PROPOSAL FOR PICKLEBALL COURTS



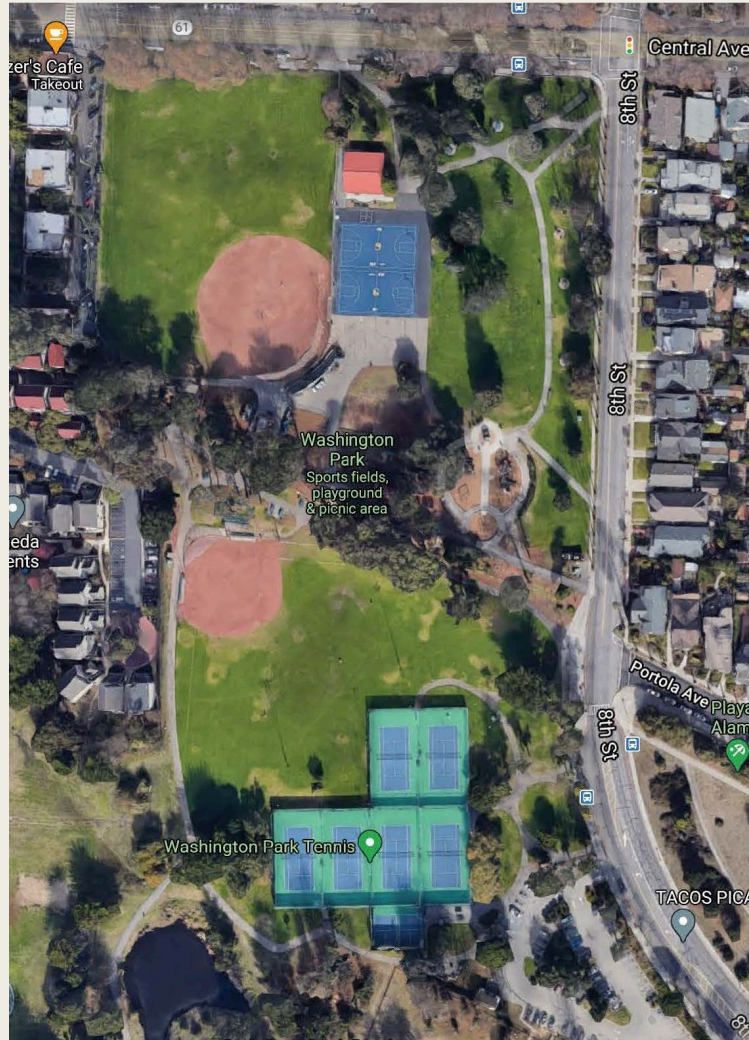
Recreation and Parks Commission

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Background

- In 2016, ARPD converted an old tennis court at Lincoln Park to four pickleball courts and it has been a huge success.
- There is strong community interest in additional pickleball courts
- Pickleball is a paddleball sport that combines elements of badminton, table tennis and tennis. With a smaller court size, it is great for people who can no longer play tennis, seniors, families and youth.

Proposed Location at Washington Park



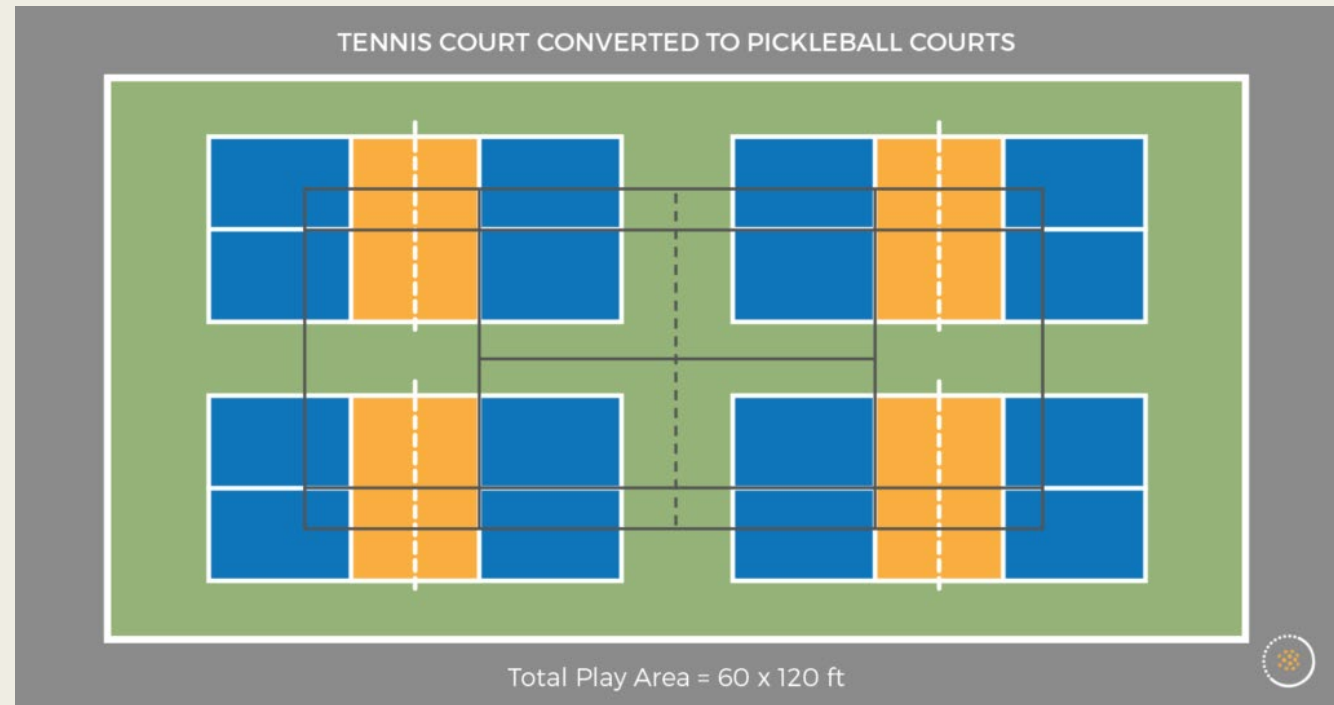
Overview of Washington Park



Court #4 Location

Determining a Location

- Also considered Krusi, Franklin and Longfellow courts
- Location equity – existing pickleball courts on east end and balancing to add courts on central/west end
- Parking, lighting



Project Timing

- Wait to convert court no earlier than June
- Increased use of Washington courts during pandemic due to in large part to Harbor Bay Club courts being closed. Result:
 - High school teams using two facilities 5 days/week
 - Tennis players who used to use Harbor Bay are using public courts

Project Cost

- \$35,000 for crack repair, resurfacing, color, striping and installing posts, nets, windscreen and short fence to separate.
- Funding available for an existing court conversion but not sufficient to build a brand new court where none exists or where significant repair is required
 - *Reason why Alameda Point was not considered at this time*