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Sent from my iPhone

On Tue, Nov 16, 2021 at 5:15 PM Keara Amble <<u>kamble023@gmail.com</u>> wrote:

Nothing beats the Pickleball courts at GVCC. They are awesome and I'm so grateful the city had the foresight to embrace pickleball ... the best sport ever! Pickleball was there for me when no one else was. I need pickleball, you need pickleball, we all need pickleball.

Please continue supporting this great sport... there are not enough courts for the demand.

Thank you!!!

Keara

I support making the Pickleball courts at GVCC permanent and I further support making improvements and even expanding them so we have a great place for the community to play this great game.

Thank you! Julie amble

Sent from my iPhone

Good Afternoon,

I am writing to support making the GVCC pickleball courts permanent. I have lived in Goleta for 48 years and experience the growth from an unincorporated area of the county to the city it is now. During this many years I have always heard talk by the local politicians about the revitalization of old town but until the GVCC pickleball courts went in I rarely saw neighbors from the other side of the freeway venture into old town. The pickleball courts have revitalized interest in Old Town that other projects have failed to do. The community center is providing a much needed and used service to hundreds of Goletans. Pickleball is politically agnostic and brings all ages and economic demographics of our community together to enjoy healthy exercise, and socialization. Please do something positive for our community and make the courts permanent. If a few people have issues with the noise, then put a representative committee together to find a compromise all can abide, don't ruin this for hundreds of people. Imagine the partnerships that could happen between happy and energized Pickleball players and a revamped community center!

I strongly support updating the GVCC courts and making them permanent and believe it will contribute to the flourishing of Old Town Goleta.

Debbie Anglin

From:	Colleen Atkinson
То:	Shanna Dawson
Subject:	Re: Pickleball at GVCC
Date:	Tuesday, November 16, 2021 8:43:35 PM

I'm so sorry, my computer sent my previous email before I finished writing it. I was trying to express how the pickleball courts at GVCC have given countless people from all over the Goleta valley a place to interact and participate in a healthy activity that promotes sportsmanship, unity, and good will between all of us. During COVID, pickleball was a great activity that helped us cope with fear and great loss as well as brought us together to share mutual goals.

Please consider NOT closing the courts. We NEED this activity and this facility. Sincerely, Colleen Atkinson

Colleen Atkinson

On Tue, Nov 16, 2021 at 8:34 PM Colleen Atkinson <<u>coatkins@westmont.edu</u>> wrote:

Good Evening,

I wish to present my request to preserve the pickleball courts at GVCC. Not only have the courts brought together people from all different backgrounds and ethnic diversity, this sport has given us a place to encourage and cheer each other during a very difficult time

Colleen Atkinson

Thanks for re-opening the courts after their brief closure! Now, let's make them permanent!

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Please choose to strengthen our city by making the GVCC courts permanent and even adding more courts.

Sincerely, Jason Atyabi

<u>Glenn Avolio</u>
Shanna Dawson
Pickleball
Tuesday, November 16, 2021 7:44:29 PM

Regarding the special meeting to discuss Pickleball at the Goleta Community Center. I was the first to tape out a court in the basketball area and to donate (through Latitude 34 Technologies) the net, the storage box and the locks. I also spent more than a few hours patching the numerous holes in the fence. This was before Mike Meyers took over and did the fabulous job he did. The area has gone from a disused and misused eyesore to a vibrant and exciting community resource and all funded so far via those using the facilities. During the past year we took out 3 grandchildren ages 7, 10, and 12, to play every day. It was their PE class during pandemic home schooling.

Pickleball is a fast growing sport that can be played by all ages with minimal training. It is especially accessible to an aging population and I play with people from 7 to 83. Noise is no greater than with tennis. And far less than the noise of kids playing in the field.

Don't let a few naysayers interfere with this important community asset.

Glenn Avolio Long time resident, business owner and Pickleball advocate

This letter represents the feelings of at least a dozen more people I play Pickleball with.

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Thanks,

Nick

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To S Dawson and the City of Goleta,

I support making the Goleta Valley Community Center Pickleball courts permanent and I further support making improvements and expanding them. I was born and raised and have lived in this community my whole life and I am now 68 years old and have found Pickleball to be a perfect sport for my age, and a wonderful recreational sport for all ages. It's especially nice because there are lights that I play under many times each week, making it a safe and wonderful place to be with friends, get exercise and enjoy life all year long. My children and grandchildren are wonderfully blessed to have Goleta Boys and Girls Club for all of their activities and they also now using these courts. It's so nice to see Goleta flourishing again with these Pickleball courts at GVCC. To come together here helps build community and a peaceful place to join together all walks of life and all ages. Thank you for caring for all of us by making these affordable lighted Pickleball courts a permanent place for all of us Goleta neighbors to gather in a joyful place! I see absolutely no reason to shut down this extremely important place; I'm astounded that you are thinking of taking away such an extraordinary, vibrant, community gathering place. Thank you for understanding that we all NEED THESE COURTS! Please make Goleta a better place to live!

Alice Birch 1122 N. Patterson Ave. Santa Barbara, CA 93111``

Sent from my iPad

Please keep the courts open. Pickleball is the only thing that has kept me sane over the past two years. The courts at GVCC have ample parking and lights which makes it very convenient. Even with the new courts at Kellogg being built the demand is still there. This is such a great facility to meet new people, have a great laugh and learn new skills, it would be very sad to lose that.

Sincerely, Tarryn Boyer

From:	Karen Boysel
То:	Shanna Dawson
Subject:	re: GVCC Pickleball Courts
Date:	Wednesday, November 17, 2021 7:21:39 AM

To whom it may concern,

I'm hoping that you decide to keep the GVCC courts open, I've just discovered them along with friends and it is such a great way to get some exercise, now that we are older. It's a great way to catch up with friends rather then sitting around with each other. Now that I'm older and can no longer play soccer like I used to, pickleball is a great substitute, you get exercise without really noticing. Plus, I never played tennis and always wanted to, so this gives me a chance. I love that the GVCC allows you to make reservations for a group, for those of us that are still working, it makes it much easier to get out there. GVCC courts are also a great environment, it's wonderful to see the kids playing on the grass and having fun, while we have fun. To be doing something outside is wonderful, thank you for having them open for the older group of us that need some good exercise. I'm hoping you decide to keep them open for the community to enjoy. Karen Boysel

Dear City of Goleta,

My grandson, Nick, and I would like to officially thank you for designing/installing the GVCC Pickleball Courts and also including lights! It's very difficult for us to find a physical activity that both an 8 year old and a 58 year old can do together and have an amazing time playing and laughing AND also meeting a whole lot of people. There have been so many adults that have reached out to us to play doubles and help us learn this exciting game! We have been blessed to meet all kinds of new people and exchange numbers and setup games.

We are lucky to have three generations (my 27 year old son also plays) come out and play together and even my 78 year old dad (great grandpa) has come out to watch us play!

We hope that you decide to make these courts permanent and HOPEFULLY add some more courts. All five courts are usually full!

It is also great that they have them linked up to the "Sign Up Genius" App so that we have the ability to reserve courts in order to play.

In all the months that we have been playing we have never had a bad or negative experience with anyone! I'm not sure how many places I can say that about these days!

It has helped my grandson overcome his anxiety regarding this life we are currently living with the mental effects of Covid on our youth.

Please keep our courts!!

Thank you for your time,

Lori, Nick & Jimmy Brakka 5702 Cathedral Oaks Road Goleta, CA 93117 To whom it may concern,

I am writing today in support of keeping the pickleball courts at GVCC. I use the courts every week with friends and can't imagine my life without them. I depend on my time on the pickleball courts each week as they help me exercise my body, mind and provide an excellent source of friendship both with my immediate court and those playing around us. Pickleball means so much to me and I really look forward to playing each week. I also frequent the surrounding businesses each week that I play there. The 76 Station across the way for gas and The Habit are a couple of my usual stops, but I have other favorite stops as well.

Please keep the courts as they are essential for the well being of all the players that enjoy playing there.

Sincerely,

Donna Buchnan

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1. Joe Buchanan

I support making the Pickleball courts at GVCC permanent and I further support making improvements and even expanding them so we have a great place for the community to play this great game

From:	kmb169@gmail.com
To:	Shanna Dawson
Subject:	pickleball courts
Date:	Wednesday, November 17, 2021 7:54:11 AM

Please make the GVCC pickleball courts permanent! I have been playing weekly and absolutely love the pickleball community! It is a healthy, happy active sport for all ages. Thank you for making the courts accessible to all, please, please make it permanent so that we can continue this great fun sport in our community.

Continue to support an active, healthy lifestyle with permanent pickleball courts at GVCC! Thank you, Karen Buchanan 805-637-9901 Pickleball is accessible and inclusive... anyone can get started... the game is easy to play... you just need a paddle and can get one for as little as \$35 new or even cheaper used.

It's one of the few sports that everyone can play ... Young people, old people, men, women, wealthy, poor ... every gets along and becomes friends ... if you're not playing.. give it a try and you'll get hooked.

Thank you for making improvements to these courts

Terrie Bugay Sent from my iPhone

From:	Tupelo Burton
То:	Shanna Dawson
Subject:	GVCC Pickleball
Date:	Tuesday, November 16, 2021 5:40:09 PM

I'm writing in support of making permanent the temporary pickleball courts at GVCC. As a pickleball fanatic, I go to Goleta for pickleball and then lunch. The current pickleball courts are good. Making the nets permanent would make them great. I'd play there much more often.

Thanks for your consideration. Sincerely, Craig Burton Eastside Santa Barbara

From:	Cindy Busby
То:	Shanna Dawson
Subject:	Goleta pickleball courts
Date:	Tuesday, November 16, 2021 11:56:09 AM

The courts are wonderful and provide a necessary outlet for fun and exercise. I play on them 4-5/week and the courts are nearly always occupied. We are respectful and leave no trash, etc. Please keep the courts open for those of us who enjoy playing AND then frequenting lunch/dinner/store locations after/before our games.

Sincerely, Cindy Busby To the City of Goleta,

Just wanted to thank you for your support for the pickleball courts at the Goleta Valley Community Center. I'm so grateful to have access to courts with lights so that I can play in the evening after work. The courts bring together so many different people to play and have fun, all levels welcome, and they are managed in a way that is inclusive. You gotta come give it a try if you haven't yet!

Thank you so much! Zoe Carter

Sent from my iPhone

From:	Patti Carter
То:	Shanna Dawson
Subject:	GVCC Pickleball courts
Date:	Wednesday, November 17, 2021 7:58:24 AM

I beg you PLEASE make the GVCC courts permanent for those of us that can no longer play tennis. It has changed my life. It's much easier on our aging bodies and is an awesome way to make new friends. Don't get me wrong its not just for the elderly, I have played with 18 yr olds and have seen younger children playing with their parents.

GVCC also has the only reservation system in Goleta that lets you know you are guaranteed a court during busy hours.

I live in SB and really haven't spent much time in Old town Goleta until I started playing at GVCC. I can tell you I have been to a few Old town restaurants, the thrift store, Carpeteria, small family owned grocery stores and Johnny Wallace park that has only 1 court with no surrounding fence, I have used the walking path for exercise there as well.

We as members of the GVCC courts have put time and money into the improvements there and will continue to do so if they are to stay open.

As for the neighbors that have complained about the noise, I'm sure they are more upset about the air traffic from the newly renovated Airport. It is extremely loud and has polluted the air quality immensely!!

PLEASE keep the courts open permanently

Sincerely Patti Carter Sent from the all new AOL app for iOS Thanks for re-opening the courts after their brief closure! Now, let's make them permanent!

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Teresa Casady

The GVCC Pickleball courts are really what the community center needed. The center should be a place for people from all different walks of life and backgrounds to come together and enjoy what our city has to offer. To come together and be united in a love for a sport that builds community, create friendships, and allows people who are working so hard to serve the city to have a break from the pressures of life in the current chaos we find ourselves in.

Please use your influence to serve the needs of our community and make the GVCC courts permanent! The Santa Barbara and Goleta workforce will be thankful.

Lisa Champion

Dear City of Goleta.

Pickleball saved my sanity and my social lire during COVID. I think that the pickleball courts at GVCC need to be permanent. We love the new courts at Kellogg, but there are so few places to play in Goleta. Please keep GVCC courts open!

Thanks, Paige Chase Warning: Pickleball at GVCC is addictive!

The good news is it promotes community, good health, friendships and all around makes Goleta a better place to live!

I support giving pickleball a permanent home at GVCC and expanding the support so more people in Goleta can enjoy it.

Natalie Collins-Smith

Dear Ms Dawson

Pickleball is dramatically meeting people's needs for exercise, play, and community, while requiring little from the city to make this happen. Happy and contented people tend to spend more money, volunteer more, and contribute in positive and dynamic ways to their community, which in this case is the city of Goleta! Imagine the partnerships that could happen between happy and energized Pickleball players and a revamped community center!

I strongly support updating the GVCC courts and making them permanent and believe it will contribute to the flourishing of Old Town Goleta.

Sandra Copley 805-452-5321 --Sandra T Copley 805-452-5321

From:	Margaret Crocco
To:	Shanna Dawson
Subject:	Pickleball courts
Date:	Wednesday, November 17, 2021 8:15:09 AM

As a season-ticket holder of a pass to play on the pickleball courts in Goleta, I support making the pickleball courts permanent and even expanding them so that more people will get an opportunity to play this fun game.

Thanks for considering this request!

Margaret Crocco

From:	jdcrosby85@gmail.com
То:	Shanna Dawson
Subject:	GVCC Pickleball Courts
Date:	Tuesday, November 16, 2021 2:36:23 PM

Mr. Dawson – as a retired senior, pickleball is one of the few sports I can do. I might add I see quite a few folks more senior than me giving it a go as well. Bottom line, Pickleball is dramatically meeting people's needs for exercise, play, and community, while requiring little from the city to make this happen. Happy and contented people tend to spend more money, volunteer more, and contribute in positive and dynamic ways to their community. Imagine the partnerships that could happen between happy and energized Pickleball players and a revamped community center!

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Sincerely,

James Crosby

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Katie Cushman

I've been a Goleta homeowner for over 23 years. Pickleball has been an amazing way to make new friends and exercise outside. I'm so glad you made pickleball part of the Goleta Parks and Rec. at GVCC. I'm also excited to have the lighted courts so I can play during the evenings. I also find that I am patronizing small businesses in Old Town Goleta more regularly before and after games. Please keep adding more activities to the parks that adults and seniors can enjoy.

Deborah Dahl

805-329-1100

Ms. Dawson,

I often have the opportunity to use the GVCC Pickleball courts on the weekends during open Play. I have also brought my 11th grade son with me on many occasions. We have met many people there while enjoying a wonderful sport. As a longtime Goleta resident who has raised five children in our community, I know it's important to provide recreational activities for our citizens. Thank you for providing these courts. I would love to see them become permanent. Any additional courts or upgrades to current courts would be greatly appreciated.

Thank you for your consideration in this matter.

Matt Dawson

Sent from my iPhone

From:	Melvin Desilva
To:	Shanna Dawson
Subject:	Please keep GVCC pickleball!
Date:	Tuesday, November 16, 2021 7:53:13 PM

If you close GVCC pickleball I think I'll end up as a couch potato and fat pig!

Thank you for bringing these courts to Goleta and please keep supporting it!

Thanks, Melvin DeSilva To whom it may concern,

I am a frequent user of the Goleta Valley Pickleball courts and so appreciate them. I have met so many people through this sport, have maintained a healthy lifestyle, and have contributed economically to surrounding businesses in Old Town Goleta – All of which is only possible because you built these courts.

Please make the GVCC courts permanent and even consider adding more courts. I strongly believe this will benefit our community as a whole. I appreciate all you are doing to help make this a great community.

Sincerely, Debbie Donahue

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Dear Shanna,

The GVCC Pickleball courts are really what the community center needed. These courts provide a great place to play and hang out with people from all different walks of life and enjoy what our great City of Goleta has to offer. It gets dark before 6 pm now so the only place to play pickleball after work is at GVCC. There are NO other pickleball courts with lights in Goleta or Santa Barbara! One of the smartest things the City of Goleta did was to support these lighted pickleball courts. I strongly support updating the GVCC courts and making them permanent and believe it will contribute to the flourishing of Old Town Goleta.

Please use your influence to serve the needs of our community and make the GVCC pickleball courts permanent!

Play more pickleball Annie Dzierski Goleta resident since 1974 Goleta Valley Pickleball courts are vital for the flourishing of the city of Goleta!

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Respectfully, Barbara Eisley

Sent from my iPhone

Dear Ms. Dawson~

Thank you for creating the pickleball courts at the Goleta Community Center. Learning to play a new sport, which is Covid safe, outdoor, social, mentally and physically healthy, has been one of the best parts of this difficult year.

I encourage you to move forward with improving, and even expanding the courts in order to allow this fast growing new sport to draw hundreds of people of all ages to the GVCC and consequently, to the surrounding Old Town Goleta business.

Thank you very much~

Kim Feldhaus

To the amazing individuals at The City of Goleta,

My family recently moved down to the incredible city of Santa Barbara in May of 2020 permanently. I grew in Santa Barbara (until age 9) then San Diego for several years before moving to the state of Washington. It is so nice to be back in the sunshine again!

Thankfully, a friend of mine introduced me to pickleball this last May and I have been so thankful for the relationships, exercise and entertainment this sport has provided me. I can't imagine life without it, quite frankly.

The lighted courts at GVCC are such a blessing. It is amazing to be able to get out after work, when it is pitch black, and to be able to enjoy time with friends and strangers that will become friends on the lighted courts.

I hope and pray that the courts at GVCC become a staple for the community as the interest and demand for outdoor activities continues to increase. These courts fill a serious need for many seeking exercise, friendships and entertainment during such a difficult time in the lives of all our citizens.

These courts give folks a very healthy and safe outlet and the demand is surely going to continue to increase year after year. I have seen young, old, male, female, and all socio economic backgrounds come together on the courts enjoying themselves.

We hope that GVCC becomes a permanent space for our community to enjoy for years to come.

Sincerely,

Chris Feno

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Good morning

I am writing in support of keeping the Goleta Community Center pickleball courts open. I have lived in Goleta for 27 years. I taught for 30 years in the elementary schools

of GUSD and raised my children here. I care deeply about our community. I recently retired and have discovered the amazing game of Pickleball. Not only is it great exercise

but it is a great source of community building. I have enjoyed the welcoming positive attitude of the more experienced players in Goleta. I love that this game is played by all ages.

I recently taught my 5 and 7 year old nephew and niece. I have only played for six months but have gained many new friends in that short time. I love that I can go to the Community

courts and reconnect with neighbors, past colleagues as well as friends of my children. I have been impressed with the great care that has been put into improving these courts.

These courts are well used. It is important that the city understands how much these courts mean to our Goleta community. I do understand that some neighbors are feeling bothered

by the noise. Can we seek solutions that will help such as reducing some weekend hours or putting some type of insulative materials along the fencing? Can we create a way to show

support for our downtown Goleta businesses and families through having fundraisers at local restaurants to raise money for the courts or having Pickleball tournaments that fundraise

for resources that support our downtown Goleta families? Please help us to keep these courts open in a way that benefits all of our Goleta citizens. As you well know from the many letters

the Goleta City Council received when there was a threat of closure to these courts a month ago, these courts are a very important resource to our Goleta Community. Let's be creative

In finding solutions that will keep the much loved game of Pickleball alive in Goleta.

Thank you for your consideration, Teresa Ferrell Good afternoon,

Thank you to the City of Goleta for supporting the sport of pickleball and the community of players. It has been a bright light in an otherwise very dark period. Please continue to support this sport and this community by keeping the pickleball courts open and lit. Regards,

Jessica Kinnahan Foley

From:	Brenna Fraker
То:	Shanna Dawson
Subject:	GCVV Pickleball Courts
Date:	Tuesday, November 16, 2021 4:29:17 PM

The GVCC Pickleball courts are really what the community center needed. The center should be a place for people from all different walks of life and backgrounds to come together and enjoy what our city has to offer. To come together and be united in a love for a sport that builds community, create friendships, and allows people who are working so hard to serve the city to have a break from the pressures of life in the current chaos we find ourselves in.

Please use your influence to serve the needs of our community and make the GVCC courts permanent! The Santa Barbara and Goleta workforce will be thankful.

Thank you, Brenna Fraker

From:	Goleta, CA
То:	Shanna Dawson
Subject:	GVCC pickleball courts
Date:	Tuesday, November 16, 2021 5:28:49 PM

Message submitted from the <Goleta, CA> website.

Site Visitor Name: Laura Gadsby Site Visitor Email: lsgadsby@cox.net

It was brought to my attention you are thinking about closing the pickleball courts at GVCC. I believe that would be wrong because by having the pickleball courts, you are helping senior citizens like myself to stay physically fit and physically alert and active. You are also providing a place for kids, young adults and middle age people to go. We all use these courts. I noticed in one of my emails that the noise is a issue. I didn't notice any houses in the immediate vicinity to disturb. But I did notice the buses right next door and Hollister with the traffic. But if pickleball is an issue we can install accoustifence material around the courts to help prevent some of the noise. Accoustifence material is suppose to cut 50% of the noise. Thank you Laura Gadsby

Hi,

My name is Jenny and I just started playing pickleball at GVCC after I paid the yearly fee. I have met wonderful people of all ages and have played with family and friends.

Great sport, great facility, great parking, great location, great, great exercise.

I heard there have been a few complaints. Our airport gets a few complaints too, but our much needed airport isn't going anywhere and I hope and pray our pickleball courts don't go anywhere either.

Thank you in advance for your understanding how important these courts are to so many people in our community and beyond.

Please reach out if you have any questions or require additional information.

Jenny Gall

Sent from my Galaxy

From:	<u>Joshua Gallup</u>
То:	Shanna Dawson
Subject:	Parks commission discussion topic
Date:	Tuesday, November 16, 2021 6:12:58 PM

What is our community doing to address large scale recreation? Girsh park and other parks with in the south County can not meet our current recreational needs!! Our combined community of SB, Goleta and noleta needs something like Pleasant Valley Fields in Camarillo!

https://www.pvrpd.org/pleasant-valley-fields

We have very little large scale open spaces left that could be developed into such a facility. I fear if we don't act soon, UCSB and other developers will gobble up all the remaining realestate in the area and we will never be able to have something like this which is such a critical need for our community.

Thank You,

Josh

I support making the Pickleball courts at GVCC permanent and I further support making improvements and even expanding them so we have a great place for the community to play this great game.

Mike Gerken Goleta resident

Sent from my iPhone

To whom it may concern,

The GVCC Pickleball courts are really what the community center needed. The center should be a place for people from all different walks of life and backgrounds to come together and enjoy what our city has to offer. To come together and be united in a love for a sport that builds community, creates friendships, and allows people who are working so hard to serve the city to have a break from the pressures of life. I have met so many people through this sport, have maintained a healthy lifestyle, and have contributed economically to surrounding businesses in Old Town Goleta – All of which is only possible because you built these courts.

Please use your influence to serve the needs of our community and make the GVCC courts permanent! The Santa Barbara and Goleta workforce will be thankful.

Thank you for your support,

Mary Gibson

From:	Mary Gilmour
То:	Shanna Dawson
Subject:	Pickleball
Date:	Tuesday, November 16, 2021 3:25:47 PM

I strongly support making the Pickleball courts at GVCC permanent and absolutely support making improvements and expanding the number of courts. It is the fastest growing sport in the US and can be played by anyone regardless of age. The demand for courts has outpaced the availability of courts in Goleta. I thank you for installing the courts at GVCC where I play weekly.I sincerely hope you will improve the ones you have and build additional courts. There is such a sense of community fostered on these courts and we need that feeling more than ever!

Sincerely,

Mary Gilmour

Hello,

I am writing to beg you to keep GVCC Pickleball open! This sport is a source of joy, connection, exercise, mental and physical well being during a pandemic. It has made all the difference in a challenging time.

I am a grief counselor by day and having access to this sport and camaraderie has saved me!

Please, please, please keep it open, especially at night!!

Thank you in advance, Marsha Goldman

With life as short as a half-taken breath, don't plant anything but love. Rumi

From:	Diane Goodacre
То:	Shanna Dawson
Subject:	Save GVCC pickleball
Date:	Tuesday, November 16, 2021 3:22:58 PM

I love to play at these courts and do not want to have to go to Santa Barbara or somewhere else.

Since I have been playing there I shop much more often in Goleta, which is also where I live. This is a great use of an otherwise neglected property. There are a lot of people who will be unhappy if this ends. Please keep the courts open for the hundreds of people enjoying them. Diane Goodacre- Goleta Goleta Valley Pickleball courts are vital for the flourishing of the city of Goleta!

I have met so many people through this sport, have maintained a healthy lifestyle, and have contributed economically to surrounding businesses in Old Town Goleta – All of which is only possible because you built these courts.

Please make the GVCC courts permanent and even consider adding more courts. I strongly believe this will not only benefit me but benefit our community as a whole. I appreciate all you are doing to help make this a great community.

with much appreciation, **Cie Gumucio**

Dear S Dawson,

I am a retired special education teacher and former professional beach volleyball player. I attended San Marcos and UCSB. I have enjoyed many sports in my life, but I have to say I enjoy Pickleball even more than my beloved beach volleyball. It is a game for everyone to enjoy. It is easy to learn, provides a lot of exercise, brings smiles and laughter to all who play, and helps build new friendships. I have so many friends I have met through this great sport that I never would have met.

The Goleta community center courts are a gift to the both Santa Barbara and Goleta. Thanks for re-opening the courts after their brief closure! Now, let's make them permanent!

There are so many divisions that are tearing apart our nation and community. It is a rare gift when people can unite around something, even a silly game like Pickleball, that is bigger than themselves. The GVCC Pickleball courts have been a place of unity for so many people, and with unity comes strength for our community and city.

Please choose to strengthen our city by making the GVCC courts permanent and even adding more courts.

Sincerely,

Kathy Hanley 805-770-0177

From:	Julianne Hastings
То:	Shanna Dawson
Subject:	Please keep pickleball at GVCC!
Date:	Tuesday, November 16, 2021 8:55:01 PM

I've been waiting for pickleball to get on your agenda to tell you THANK YOU!!!!!!

It's been the single best thing to help me through this past year. And now I never want to stop playing... it's so much fun, I get exercise, I meet new friends, It's a game the whole family can play. Yesterday, there were players young and old- at least 10 kids from the boys and girls club were learning the game and having a great time. Although I live in Santa Barbara, I buy the majority of my gas at the station next to the courts and do the majority of my grocery shopping in Goleta after I play pickleball. After playing, I often go with groups to grab a bite and a beer at one of the local Goleta restaurants. I have made so many new friends while playing, just come by some morning and listen to the laughs and cheers of all the players on every court. I have played at numerous clinics and round robins that have generated funds for the courts. The opportunities are limitless! This is just what our community needs.

Thank you again for creating the courts and lets keep GVCC pickleball open and growing our community while continuing to support our local Goleta business.

Thank you, Jules Hastings

Sent from my iPad

To Whom It May Concern:

During the pandemic, playing pickleball kept me mentally healthy. This is a practice that I would love to continue and the GVCC courts are accessible enough that I can attend after a long day of teaching.

Please consider visiting open play on Tuesday night - Thursday night - Sat or Sun morning you'd see how popular and great these courts are to the community.

Thank you for installing these courts and please make the needed improvements and consider adding more courts in Goleta.

Natasha Heinrich

To Whom It May Concern,

Pickleball is a lot easier to play than Tennis. It's also easier on my body and a lot more social. I meet a lot of people, with tennis only 2-4 people play and you never talk with anyone else. Pickleball allows that community interaction – I appreciate Goleta a lot more now and I'm so glad the city is supporting Pickleball.

Please keep these courts open and make improvements so they last forever.

Thanks, Brad Hempy Dear Ms. Dawson,

I started playing Pickleball last December during the height of the pandemic. I have met so many people through this sport, and it has helped me keep my sanity during the long winter of lockdown. Pickleball ensures a healthy lifestyle for many of us that we do not any to see go away. I'm addition I have contributed economically to surrounding businesses in Old Town Goleta – All of which is only possible because you built these courts.

Goleta Valley Pickleball courts are vital for the flourishing of the city of Goleta! Please make the GVCC courts permanent. I strongly believe this will not only benefit me but benefit our community as a whole. I appreciate all you are doing to help make this a great community.

Sincerely,

Jill Holmes

Sent from my iPhone

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Sincerely, Deborah Holmes. Sent from my iPad

From:	<u>L. Holzman</u>
То:	Shanna Dawson
Subject:	Goleta Pickleball Courts
Date:	Tuesday, November 16, 2021 12:56:56 PM

Not only are these courts needed, but they also bring in revenue to Old Town Goleta. These courts draw people and they eat, get gas, drink and shop in Old Town Goleta. In fact I brought my out of town family member to try Pickleball on the Goleta courts and we ate in Old Town. The very small number of any complaints do not come close to the number of community members these courts serve for exercise, fun and a sense of community. The area also hosts soccer and Volleyball practice. Why aren't those neighbors complaining about that? Hundreds of screaming kids is ok, but not pickleball? That doesn't make sense.

Keep these courts. Improve them. Add more. Don't be bullied by a few complaints. Goleta needs these courts, especially because they are the only lighted courts.

Thank you,

Goleta Pickleball court user.

From:	Barryh1951
То:	Shanna Dawson
Subject:	Pickleball courts
Date:	Tuesday, November 16, 2021 5:34:51 PM

Are you considering closing the courts? Naples Florida has 100 of them, that draw thousands of people for competitions. This is the fastest growing sport in the US. Santa Barbara converted 3 tennis courts to 12 Pickleball courts. and now has hundreds of people paying to use them. Where there was nothing for the tennis. You got something better? What? Barry Hughes. Santa Barbara resident. I want people to enjoy our area and I meet people from all over the US on the courts.

From:	<u>margaret huston</u>
То:	Shanna Dawson
Subject:	GVCC Pickleball courts
Date:	Tuesday, November 16, 2021 6:32:41 PM

Hello, I am writing to ask you to keep our pickleball courts at the Community Center open. I am in my 60"s and this sport has helped me tremendously! During Covid, I became depressed and experienced high levels of anxiety and stress. I am now playing pickleball regular and my mental health has improved tremendously! GVCC is a valuable asset for our community and should remain. It's amazing to see the popularity of this sport especially among older adults who need to get outside. These courts have organically grown into something special for Goleta, please do not take it away. Thank you, Margaret Huston, Jane Restaurant

From:	Mark Huston
То:	Shanna Dawson
Subject:	pickleball courts
Date:	Tuesday, November 16, 2021 2:31:56 PM

Hello, I am writing to ask you to keep our pickleball courts at the Community Center open. I am in my 60"s and this sport has helped me tremendously!

I haven't been active in a sport for over 20 years and now with pickleball I am getting in shape having a great time and meeting many many like minded contemporaries.

I play 3 times per week or more if I can. GVCC is a valuable asset for our community and should remain. It's amazing to see the popularity of this sport especially among older adults

who need to get outside. These courts have organically grown into something special for Goleta, please do not take it away.

Thank you, Mark Huston, Jane Restaurant

From:Jill HyersTo:Shanna DawsonSubject:GVCC Pickle ball courts - PERMANENT PLEASE!Date:Tuesday, November 16, 2021 2:46:18 PMAttachments:image001.png

Hello!

Thank you for creating an active pickleball park for our community. Finally, a sport the entire family can enjoy, kids, parents, grandparents – we can all play together! It was the only thing we could do during the pandemic, and Pickleball is THE FASTEST GROWING SPORT IN THE NATION! Being a local here since 1980- and working with the community organizations on many different levels, I feel Pickleball at GVCC has ENHANCED the whole area. My best friend and I spend A LOT of time (and money ⁽ⁱ⁾) in Old Town Goleta and are impressed with how many others we play with say the same thing. It's got to be good for Goleta!

After having cancer this Spring, Pickleball was the FIRST thing I wanted to get back to doing after my treatment. It helps keep our minds off the changing world and our problems. PLEASE PLEASE PLEASE HELP SAVE THIS IMPORTANT PART OF OUR COMMUNITY!

Let's keep developing the GVCC pickleball courts so all generations to come will have them.

Thank you so much for all you do. I know you have a tough job, but believe me, this sport is only going to grow. We can do amazing things with this venue and bring lots of good to Goleta. let us help!

All the best,

Jill McRae Hyers ZEST Director Maravilla Senior Living Community 805-696-6007



From:	Jared Ingram
To:	Shanna Dawson
Subject:	Pickleball courts
Date:	Wednesday, November 17, 2021 8:48:10 AM

The demand for Pickleball is only growing. Please preserve these courts at GVCC permanently!! Please! Jared Ingram

:::::mobile:::::: 805.455.7967 Nothing beats the Pickleball courts at GVCC. They are awesome and I'm so grateful the city had the foresight to embrace pickleball ... the best sport ever!

Please continue supporting this great sport... there are not enough courts for the demand

Tim Johnson

From:	Karen Kegg
То:	Shanna Dawson
Subject:	pickleball
Date:	Tuesday, November 16, 2021 4:51:24 PM

Please continue the fantastic job that Goleta is modeling for the other communities in accommodating the huge pickleball population in the area. So fun and Goleta is a styandoout in responding to the wants and needs of the public. That you!

Karen Kegg

Sorry but I am a Goleta resident. Doesn't mean I don't love what you do!

Hello,

I really want to support making the GVCC Pickelball courts permanent. I further support any improvements to the courts and surrounding areas.

Having these courts available for our community has changed peoples lives. Pickelball ball is for everyone. It's fun, social, healthy both physically, mentally and emotionally. It definitely builds strong relationships and community. It would be devastating to our community to have them shut down. To be honest, the noise factor on the courts is not nearly as noisy as all the kids events on the connecting field from the Boys and girls club, community soccer etc. Please don't shut them down.

Vicki Kellams 71 year old PB player

Sent from my iPhone

Dear Ms Dawson,

I'm writing to express my strong support for keeping and expanding pickle ball at GVCC. Playing there has consistently been a highlight of my week (2x/week) since the courts first opened. The diversity of people who gather to play is extraordinary, with all ages, shapes, sizes, races, and skill levels playing with each other. Everyone is extremely accepting of beginners, older people, younger people, or people in less than perfect body form, and the encouragement and camaraderie is heart warming. The pickle ball venue at GVCC is by far the strongest community building experience I've had in the Goleta area in my 20 years of living and raising children here. I also naturally find myself doing much more of my weekly shopping at Santa Cruz Market and buying bike gear from Bicycle Bob's than I had before I started coming to the courts. I very much hope this cherished venue will be allowed to continue.

Best Regards, Michael Larkin

From:	Karina Lee
То:	Shanna Dawson
Subject:	GVCC PICKLEBALL COURTS
Date:	Tuesday, November 16, 2021 2:57:26 PM

I support making the Pickleball courts at GVCC permanent and I further support making improvements and even expanding them so we have a great place for the community to play this great game. I have met so many people through this sport, have maintained a healthy lifestyle, and have contributed economically to surrounding businesses in Old Town Goleta – All of which is only possible because you built these courts.

Please make the GVCC courts permanent and even consider adding more courts. I strongly believe this will not only benefit me but benefit our community as a whole. I appreciate all you are doing to help make this a great community.

Karina Lee

Ms. Dawson -

I am writing this email to show my support for the Goleta Valley Community Center Pickle Ball Courts which I use weekly. Please consider making these courts permanent as well as adding more courts. The courts are obviously a draw to the Old Town Goleta area as they are always full when I am playing. I have reconnected with so many local friends and have made many new friends as well. It is so enjoyable to have a safe place to play and enjoy a fun sport with others who share a healthy lifestyle. I live in Santa Barbara and make the drive to Goleta specifically to play at these courts. I often make my shopping plans for before or after I play. This location encourages me to shop in the Goleta area (I often continue on to Camino Real, get a bite to eat at The Original Habit, or cross the freeway to the Calle Real shopping corridor. I actually just had some rooms re-carpeted after heading across Hollister to Carpeteria on a whim. This is a shop that had not been on my radar in years. All of this to say, the pickle ball courts are a positive addition for the Old Town Goleta community and for the health and enjoyment of the community at large.

Thank you, Christine Macko

Sent from Mail for Windows

I support making the Pickleball courts at GVCC permanent and I further support making improvements and even expanding them so we have a safe place for the community to play this physical game.

The pickleball courts have become an excellent source of exercise and many of us are not cycling on the streets as much which is safer for everyone! Pickleball is a great way for many to enjoy a relatively small space and maintain optimal physical and mental health.

We would love to see more courts in the future!

Licia Maclear U.S. EPA, Region 9 Tribal Clean Water Section Telephone: (415) 972-3161

From:	Kelly Mada
To:	Shanna Dawson
Subject:	Please do. It close Goleta Courts
Date:	Tuesday, November 16, 2021 7:44:17 PM

Please do not close the courts! This is a place for us to come and escape from the world around us for a few hours! Pickleball has been a life saver for many folks including myself. I'm hoping you will reconsider and keep the courts open Sincerely Kelly Mada

Sent from Yahoo Mail for iPad

Hi,

I just want to say we need the GVCC pickleball courts. The sport is soooo much fun and growing rapidly. I would also like to add that I live in Santa Barbara and drive to Goleta and then while in Goleta I do my errands. Just last week instead of shopping at my regular Ralphs in Santa Barbara I went to Trader Joes, Calle Real, then instead of Home Improvement Center on Montecito Street I went to Orchard Supply and of course I had to top it off with an iced latte from Starbucks near Orchard....just saying...you shop where you are! Please don't change GVCC it is needed.

Kind Regards,

Donna Mahoney

From:	<u>Malota, Jason</u>
То:	Shanna Dawson
Subject:	Writing in support of the pickleball courts
Date:	Tuesday, November 16, 2021 7:36:50 PM

Hello,

I just wanted to write a quick note of support for making the pickleball courts at Goleta Valley Community Center permanent. This has been such a great addition to Goleta and has been extremely popular. There are not enough pickleball courts in the Goleta/Santa Barbara area to keep up with the demand!

Many of us purchased annual memberships and have made donations to help build out the exiting courts and are so glad to have a place to come play. We even get our teenagers and their friends to join us occasionally!

Thank you for considering making the courts permanent.

Sincerely, Jason Malota I cannot begin to express how much Pickleball in my local community has changed my life. I have been a resident of Goleta for almost 30 years, and have never been more excited about a local facility.

I am 64 years old, and have been playing 3-6 times a week for a year now. It's been a game changer for my outlook, my mental, physical and emotional health, and I've met SO many people from all walks of life.

There are so many divisions that are tearing apart our nation and community. It is a rare gift when people can unite around something, even a silly game like Pickleball, that is bigger than themselves. The GVCC Pickleball courts have been a place of unity for so many people, and with unity comes strength for our community and city.

Please choose to strengthen our city by making the GVCC courts permanent and even adding more courts. It's a highly inclusive game that most anyone can quickly learn to play. I guarantee that of you build it, they will come!!

Sincerely, Tom and Lisa Maraszek Ms. Dawson,

I write to you today as a senior community member retiree and a US Army Veteran. I play pickleball every morning for several hours.

Pickleball continues to be the fastest growing sport in the United States. I can't afford to be a member of any tennis/health club in the area, so I rely on city service like the pickleball courts at GVCC.

I have met so many people through this fun sport, have maintained a healthy lifestyle, and have contributed economically to surrounding businesses in Old Town Goleta. All of which is only possible because you built these courts.

The City of Goleta had the foresight to embrace this sport and have courts with lights. It is so appreciated. It's one of the few sports that everyone can play. Young, old, men, women, wealthy, poor, everyone gets along and becomes friends.

Pickleball is a lot easier to play than tennis. It's also easier on my body and a lot more social. On a daily basis I meet a lot of people playing pickleball. I am also a tennis player. Playing tennis, I go out with a group of 4 for the match. We never talk to anyone else and the matches take 2 to 2.5 hours. Pickleball games last about 15 minutes on average, then you play with a different group. Pickleball allows that community interaction. I appreciate Goleta a lot more now and I'm so glad the city is supporting Pickleball.

Please keep adding more activities to the parks that adults and seniors, like me, can enjoy. This is an important activity that is helping to keep our community more active, healthy and social.

Goleta has enough passive parks with children's playgrounds! Thank you for creating an active pickleball park for our community. Finally, a sport the entire family can enjoy, kids, parents, grandparents. We can all play pickleball together!

Please keep developing the GVCC pickleball courts so generations to come will have them.

Thank you for your support so far and please make the necessary improvements to keep the GVCC courts permanent.

Sincerely, Sal Marciano Goleta, Ca

From:	Ray Markow
То:	Shanna Dawson
Subject:	Support for pickleball courts.
Date:	Tuesday, November 16, 2021 3:21:44 PM

Hello,

My name is Ray Markow and I have been a local resident since graduating UCSB in 1971. I had been an avid tennis player for most of my life until a shoulder injury sidelined me ten years ago. One year ago I tried pickleball and was thrilled to discover that due to the underhand action used in pickleball, being less stressful in the shoulder, serving I could now return to playing a competitive sport. This has literally changed my life and improved my cardio health and fitness levels. Being 71 now, there are few active sports like pickleball where you stay active at a moderate level, and can meet and socialize with people of all ages. I usually don't bother to write letters like this, but pickleball has had a profound effect in a very positive way on my lifestyle. Please Please keep the courts at GVCC. The community needs them and more. The sport is exploding in popularity and we need every court the community can muster. Thanks and kind regards,

Ray Markow

I've been waiting for pickleball to get on your agenda to tell you THANK YOU!!!!!!

It's been the single best thing to help me through this past year. And now I never want to stop playing... it's so much fun, I get exercise, I meet new friends, It's a game the whole family can play.

Thanks again and lets keep GVCC pickleball open and growing

Sincerely, Laurie McGill Dear Mr. Dawson,

GVCC Pickleball is helping me destress and deal with work and covid. I'm also in my 60s and whereas I would normally go to a gym, Pickleball is safe, outdoors, very social and a great workout!

Thank you for supporting this great sport and I'd appreciate your continued support by making them permanent and completing improvements.

Thank you! Julie McGloin Goleta Resident

From:	Jan McGuire
То:	Shanna Dawson
Subject:	support for Pickle!!
Date:	Tuesday, November 16, 2021 3:35:17 PM

Please make the GVCC courts permanent and even consider adding more courts. I strongly believe this will not only benefit me but benefit our community as a whole. I appreciate all you are doing to help make this a great community.

Great game for us older folks!! Jan McGuire Hello,

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Thank you,

Sherri McNary

From:	julie mershon
To:	Shanna Dawson
Subject:	Pickelball at GVCC
Date:	Tuesday, November 16, 2021 4:23:40 PM

The Pickleball courts at GVCC are awesome and I'm so thankful the city had the foresight to embrace pickleball ... the fastest growing sport in America!

Please continue supporting this great sport... there are not enough courts for the demand and we cannot afford to loose these courts. What we need is more courts! thank you for your consideration Julie Mershon

Hi,

I support making the Pickleball courts at GVCC permanent and I further support making improvements and even expanding them so we have a great place for the community to play this great game.

I am currently playing there at least twice a week with both friends, work colleagues, and family.

Thanks for your support! Stephen Minne

From:	Shannon Minne
То:	Shanna Dawson
Subject:	GVCC Pickleball courts
Date:	Wednesday, November 17, 2021 6:50:15 AM

Hi, my name is Shannon Minne and having the pickleball courts in Goleta has changed my life. Please don't close them down. I am a mom of four kids, and it has been the one family event that everyone enjoys. My husband Steve and I bring all the kids to the courts, we laugh and play and get exercise and then go to hamburger habit or out to eat after.

It has been such a great way to socialize and have fun as a family and with friends. My husband Steve plays after work on Wednesday nights with people from his work. It's so great that the courts have lights, they are the only ones in town that does.

I play several times a week as well with friends that I have made from Pickleball. It has been such a wonderful upgrade to my life. Often times after Pickleball I'll go to Santa Cruz market, the thrift stores and other places in old town Goleta. I am so grateful for the pickleball courts and such a fun social sport.

Please keep them open.

Thank you, Shannon Minne

From:	Jessica Minne
То:	Shanna Dawson
Subject:	Pickleball courts
Date:	Wednesday, November 17, 2021 7:42:30 AM

Hi, my name is Jesse and I play Pickleball with my mom and family and we have so much fun. Please don't shut them down. I am in 7th grade at La Colina and I love playing with my friends as well.

Sincerely, Jesse Dear Ms. Dawson,

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Thank you.

Matthew W. Neal

Sent from my iPhone

Hi Shawn,

Just writing to say that I love the Goleta courts. I picked up Pickelball during Covid and it really helped me have fun, get some exercise and meet new friends.

I have gone to Crushcakes in Goleta and would have never gone there if there was no pickleball. Please keep the courts.

All the best,

Alison Nelson Women Venture Partners > To Whom It May Concern:

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> I received upsetting news today that the GVCC pickleball courts may close due to some surrounding community members complaining about noise.

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> I know the easiest solution may be to capitulate to "the negative complaints" by closing the courts, but what about "the positive compliments"?

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> I'm one of many in the community that is thriving (getting exercise, which I've never considered myself active before, and socializing with new friends).

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> Meeting new friends through pickleball has substantially changed the quality of my weekly schedule, and I'm sure many others. In fact, NOTHING has made me feel more a part of this community than what pickleball has done for me.

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> People need parks, recreation and healthy ways to exercise and gather together. Having these attributes in one's life gives a sense of community that people NEED—both for good physical and mental health.

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> Right now, the USA is experiencing a mental health crisis. Given the pandemic, political polarization, and addiction booms, you'd think people would support healthy structures in our society like pickleball, tennis, and other forms of group play that help to mitigate physical decline and ease mental turmoil.

> There are NIMBYS ("not in my backyard"), who will complain about anything, sometimes for substantial reasons, but sometimes just because it's easier to complain than to "let it be" and show understanding. After all, these complainers aren't hearing pickleball late into the night. It can't be anywhere near as bad as blaring music in the middle of the night or gang violence with shouting and gunfire. It's just the sound of pickleball players for Pete's sake! Must the sound of people having fun be shut down? What utter nonsense!

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> Please do what you can to keep the courts open. Pickleball is a joyful activity for so many.

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> Sincerely,

> Elaine Nicol

Sent from my iPhone (310) 809-8082

Please save the Goleta Pickleball courts. It is a wonderful gathering place for a sport we all enjoy so much.

The private homes seem quite a bit away from our play.

Please save the courts.

Thank you,

Patricia Palmer

Hello Mr. Dawson,

I am so sad to hear that you would close the GVCC Pickleball courts because of 7-8 complaint letters. The community center is for the community and pickleball has invigorated our Goleta community.

Pickleball is accessible and inclusive... anyone can get started... the game is easy to play... you just need a paddle and can get one for as little as \$35 new or even cheaper used.

It's one of the few sports that everyone can play ... Young people, old people, men, women, wealthy, poor ... every gets along and becomes friends ... if you're not playing.. give it a try and you'll get hooked.

Thank you for making improvements to these courts and please pass the resolution to make pickleball at GVCC permanent.

Thanks,

Kym Paszkeicz (she/her) kympasz@gmail.com 805 448-3067 "Hope is invented every day." ~ James Baldwin Please keep the courts open and make them permanent. They're.vital to our community.

-Kathy Patterson

From:	Diane Phan
То:	Shanna Dawson
Subject:	Support FOR Pickleball at GVCC
Date:	Tuesday, November 16, 2021 7:09:06 PM

This email is in support of pickleball at GVCC. Please keep the courts open!

If you have ever visited open play on Tuesday night - Thursday night - Sat or Sun morning you'd see how popular and great these courts are to the community.

Thank you for installing these courts and please make the needed improvements and consider adding more courts in Goleta.

Thank you, Mark Philibosain Greetings City of Goleta,

I am so excited that the City of Goleta is looking to make the courts at GVCC permanent. Pickleball has had such a massive impact in the lives of many people from our community and I am not sure where else you could go to find any activity that could bring together such a diverse and wide-ranging crowd as pickleball. On any given night you can find college students playing with retirees, engineers and teachers, business CEOs and non-profit leaders.

The sport of pickleball is a social activity where you meet new people every time you play and develop friendships through competitive exercise. This is the best night activity in town (not even Santa Barbara has lit courts!!!).

Covid pushed people away from each other and it's funny, but pickleball brought us back together. I have made many friendships on the courts and look forward to every time I get a chance to head out to GVCC to play!

I am a longtime resident of Goleta and a few years ago my office moved into Old Town. Prior to playing pickleball at GVCC I would head to my office and then home, without spending any time in Old Town. Now that has changed. After work I often head out to the courts, stopping at one of the many local businesses for dinner, gas or shopping. We even have a group that regularly stops by the Santa Barbara Cider Co (located in Old Town) after playing. The SB Cider Co is 2 blocks from my office and I did not know it existed before a pickleball friend invited me to join them after playing!

I encourage you to keep the lights on and the courts open!

Tim Philibosian

Manager II, Sports & Competition Special Olympics Southern California **Work**: (805) 884-1516 **Facebook:** <u>Facebook.com/SpecialOlympicsSantaBarbara</u> <u>www.sosc.org</u>



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Pickle ball

I was a tennis player at cathedral oaks althelic club until,they kept raising the monthly dues. I missed the exercise the friendships and camaraderie playing a game. I found pickle ball 7 months ago and my husband and I are hooked. We have made some,new friends while having fun and exercising. It is a wonderful fun sport having the courts is fantastic and it says to the community that Goleta cares . it's the fastest growing sport right now and Goleta is leading the way . I played with my 8 year old grand daughter on Sunday . she loves it . keep the courts open.

We love living in Goleta and pickle ball is on the top of our list

Thank you for your attention to this important matter.

I really would be do sad if you closed the courts. There is a hugh

amount of people of all ages that play.

From:	Tim Philibosian
То:	Shanna Dawson
Subject:	Pickleball courts
Date:	Tuesday, November 16, 2021 9:32:59 PM

There are few things that have brought my entire family together as effectively as pickleball. The GVCC courts have been a significant contribution to our family health and enjoyment. Please do whatever you can to keep these courts and build additional ones in our community. They add so much to the living quality of Goleta.

Tim Philibosian Goleta I've been waiting for pickleball to get on your agenda to tell you THANK YOU!!!!!!

It has been the single best thing to help me through this past year. And now I never want to stop playing. It is so much fun! I get exercise and I meet new friends. It is a game the whole family can play.

Thanks again and let's keep GVCC pickleball open and growing.

Best Regards, Nancy ("Fritz") Pinney To Whom it May Concern,

Goleta Valley Pickleball courts are vital for the flourishing of the city of Goleta!

I have met so many people through this sport, have maintained a healthy lifestyle, and have contributed economically to surrounding businesses in Old Town Goleta – All of which is only possible because you built these courts.

Please make the GVCC courts permanent and even consider adding more courts. I strongly believe this will not only benefit me but benefit our community as a whole. I appreciate all you are doing to help make this a great community.

Best, Heidi Poley

From:	JRP MD
To:	Shanna Dawson
Subject:	Pickle Ball Courts
Date:	Tuesday, November 16, 2021 3:43:41 PM

Thanks for re-opening the courts after their brief closure! Now, let's make them permanent!

There are so many divisions that are tearing apart our nation and community. It is a rare gift when people can unite around something, even a silly game like Pickleball, that is bigger than themselves. The GVCC Pickleball courts have been a place of unity for so many people, and with unity comes strength for our community and city.

Please choose to strengthen our city by making the GVCC courts permanent and even adding more courts.

Jeff Polito

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Please make the GVCC courts permanent and even consider adding more courts. I strongly believe this will not only benefit me but benefit our community as a whole. I appreciate all you are doing to help make this a great community.

Thank you, Lynne Pritchard

Lynne M. Pritchard <u>Impritchard7@gmail.com</u>

To whom this may concern,

Thank you for your service and for considering the thoughts and experiences of many people who have found the sport of pickleball. I am 68 years old (yicks is that really true) and I've found this sport to be one of the most fun experiences I've ever had. I started right before the Covid pandemic and when everything shut down I had an outlet for exercise and friendship time outside!!! It provided sanity for sure.

As time went on I got better and better. I had a great feeling of success as I never felt accomplished at any sport. Pickleball and my time with my grandkids is my happy place!!! Now I combine the two and play with my 17 yr old granddaughter and her teenage friends!! I love to hear "Hey Nana, you want to play PB?"

The only problem is that Everyone discovered pickleball and we have very few courts. I did enjoy Evergreen courts but then someone stole the nets and now you have to bring your own or set up an inferior net that's in a box. I quit going there and thoroughly enjoyed GVCC courts next. When those are all pre-reserved I go to Jonny Wallace but with no backstops we're chasing balls a lot. I heard there's new courts at Kellogg but since opening I've had an injury and haven't been to them yet.

So long story short, We need to keep the 5 courts at GVCC!!!!!! Thank you for keeping us all happy and healthy in Goleta with more PB courts! Sincerely, Susan Rider

Dear Ms. Dawson,

I understand that they are considering closing down the pickleball courts at the Goleta Valley community center. Please reconsider! Getting into pickleball and playing weekly with my friends at the Goleta courts has changed my life so much. I used to just be at home alone and now I am getting back in shape, taking lessons, entering tournaments and playing every week at the Goleta courts. It has been the best thing that has happened to me in so many years. I would be devastated if the courts were closed.

Now I am in old town Goleta several times a week and often stop to get something to eat afterwards, go to the family discount store and thrift stores.

Please help us keep the courts open!

Olive Riley

Sent from the all new AOL app for iOS

From:	<u>Ri Ro</u>
То:	Shanna Dawson
Subject:	Pickleball courts
Date:	Wednesday, November 17, 2021 7:52:43 AM

Hello! My name is Riley.

I love playing with my family on the weekends. I am learning so much and improving while having so much fun. My mom gives us lessons and we all make jokes and laugh and have an overall amazing time. Please don't shut down the Pickleball courts please.

Thank you!

To Whom it may concern,

Born and raised here in Santa Barbara, I have never seen the GVCC so active since Pickleball started. All of my kids played at Boys & Girls Club the courts were always deserted.

The Pickleball courts at GVCC provide a great place for adults and children to hang out and make new friends.

We would love to continue playing at this great park in Goleta.

Thank you!

Please make these permanent so we can enjoy forever.

Jill Roberts 805-896-2047

Hello,

I am so grateful to be able to play this sport especially at the GVCC. I was introduced to PB three years ago and we played across the street, but could not reserve a court there. With all of us having busy schedules, we could not wait 45 minutes or so, when we have kids, appointments and jobs to get to. I drive from North Goleta 35 minutes twice a week, happily, to play PB. So we were all pretty happy (there are 8 of us in our group). All of us were born in SB 60 years ago, when GVCC opened. It's the only exercise I do that does not feel like a job or work. The friends I have made and the laughter is irreplaceable. I don't know what's going on, or what hurdles we need to overcome to keep these courts open, but they seem like a great community asset. Isn't our town motto "Goleta the Good land"? I have seen nothing but good things come out of play there. People of all ages enjoying a game. Tell us what we can do to help keep these courts open. I am sure as a community we can make this happen and have it be a winning situation/solution.

Sincerely, Jane Rohrs 119 Hollister Ranch Road Goleta, CA 93117

Jane Sorensen

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Goleta Valley Pickleball courts are vital for the flourishing of the city of Goleta!

I have met so many people through this sport, have maintained a healthy lifestyle, and have contributed economically to surrounding businesses in Old Town Goleta – All of which is only possible because you built these courts.

This game and these courts have really "saved" me. Yes- I realize this sounds very dramatic- but before I caught the bug for this game, I was having to increase my anti-depressions meds. I was in a dark place. These courts have become my happy place.

I have tried the Muni courts own town, but the traffic and lack of parking has been an issue... The vibe at GV is so different too. I feel a sense of community at these courts. And the sense of community is actually what makes GOLETA so much more special and the difference from Santa Barbara. The exact reason why we chose this area to live & raise our family. I am actually a 3rd generation here in Goleta, which makes my grandkids a 5th gen. My entire family have been (& are) healthcare providers at Cottage Hospital- and most enjoy these courts as much as I do.

Please make the GVCC courts permanent and even consider adding more courts. I strongly believe this will not only benefit me but benefit our community as a whole. I appreciate all you are doing to help make this a great community.

Have a GREAT day! Lori Rozenburg PFI Inc.



The Pickleball courts at GVCC provide a great place to go and hang out to make friends even if watching others play. Its one of the best parks ever established in Goleta. Thank You and please make them permenant so we can enjoy this forever

Pacific Fixture Installations Inc Jerry Rozenburg M 619.843.1147 Pacinstallations@gmail.com

From:	Morgan Rydell
То:	Shanna Dawson
Subject:	Goleta Valley Community Center Pickleball Courts
Date:	Tuesday, November 16, 2021 12:13:53 PM

To Whom it May Concern,

The Goleta Valley Community Center Pickleball Courts are my absolute favorite, even though I live right next to the Municipal courts. Being a local teacher, through the stress of COVID, Pickleball has provided me with a healthy, fun, and safe activity to support my mental and physical well-being. I have had the opportunity to learn and practice this sport with my mother, and all of her friends, and it brings us immeasurable joy. Connecting our community members old and young, providing a healthy mental and physical outlet for all(COVID or not), and a safe space with lighting for playing after work hours are just a few of the benefits these courts in Goleta provide for our community. Not to mention I also come to the city of Goleta much more frequently, shopping at the local stores for groceries, gas, coffee and burgers! As a former tennis player, I have found such joy and stress-relief through the game of Pickleball. I truly hope to continue being able to play Pickleball with my mom and friends here at the GVCC Courts for many years to come.

Best, Morgan Rydell The Riviera Ridge School 2nd Grade Teacher

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From: To: Subject: Date:

I've been waiting for pickle ball to get on your agenda to tell you THANK YOU!!!!!!

It's been the single best thing to help me through this past year. And now I never want to stop playing... it's so much fun, I get exercise, I meet new friends, It's a game the whole family can play.

Thanks again and let's keep GVCC pickle ball open and growing

Nancy Rydell 3354 Willow St. Santa Ynez, Ca. 93460 805-688-2542(home) 805-705-1013(cell) fairhill5@comcast.net Pickleball is a lot easier to play than Tennis. It's also easier on my body and a lot more social. I meet a lot of people, with tennis only 2-4 people play and you never talk with anyone else. Pickleball allows that community interaction – I appreciate Goleta a lot more now and I'm so glad the city is supporting Pickleball.

Please keep these courts open and make improvements so they last forever.

John Sanford

To whom it may Concern,

These courts are very important to our community. Pickle ball is one of the fast growing sports! I would like to see the courts improved. These courts are a community resource that we use every week.

Thank you for your attention to Pickle ball,

Susan Sarmiento I support making the Pickleball courts at GVCC permanent and I further support making improvements and even expanding them so we have a great place for the community to play this great game.

Lisa schomer

Dear City Council,

My family and friends...and new friends LOVE the Goleta Valley Pickleball courts!!! It is so important now more than ever before to invest in social and recreational opportunities for your community members to get off their electronic devices, get outside, meet new friends, and overcome the trauma of COVID! This sport saved me during such a dark time. Now I play pickleball with my kids, my peers, and even my parents!

I have met so many people through this sport, have maintained a healthy lifestyle, and have contributed economically to surrounding businesses in Old Town Goleta – All of which is only possible because you built these courts.

Please make the GVCC courts permanent and even consider adding more courts. I strongly believe this will not only benefit me but benefit our community as a whole. I appreciate all you are doing to help make this a great community.

Sincerely, Jill Sharkey

Jill D. Sharkey, Ph.D.

Professor Dept of Counseling, Clinical, and School Psychology Associate Dean for Research and Outreach Gevirtz Graduate School of Education

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David

From:	Scott Smoot
То:	Shanna Dawson
Subject:	Pickleball Courts - Yes Please
Date:	Tuesday, November 16, 2021 3:38:51 PM

I fully support making the GVCC pickleball courts permanent. As an older person, pickleball is still an activity that is suitable for me. Basketball, softball and running cause too much pain, discomfort and damage. Pickleball is accessible for older people and competitive matches can be inclusive of both male and female players. No other sports that I know of have these qualities.

I am still working full time, and the Lights at GVCC make it possible for me to pay during the week and play with others that have full time jobs. Other courts are around, but can't be used in the evenings. Especially at this time of year.

Please keep these courts open for public use; I will play a lot less pickleball if these courts are closed, or the hours are reduced to eliminate the night time play.

I have met many new friends with pickleball at GVCC and have a greater sense of the Goleta community with these courts. Many games end with post-match review at the local bar or restaurant.

Scott Smoot 1011 Via Los Padres Santa Barbara, CA 93111-1344 Hello!

The Pickleball courts at GVCC provide a great place to go and hang out to make friends even if watching others play. It's one of the best parks ever established in Goleta. Thank You and please make them permanent so we can enjoy this forever.

Thank you,

Madeleine

To whom it may concern,

My name is a Rob Sparrow, I have been a Goleta resident and enjoying the GVCC pickleball courts for the past year. It is a wonderful place to exercise, socialize, and gives me something to look forward to through the week. With life's stress it is a great way to unwind and rejuvenate. I do understand that pickle ball may cause some noise, but how much?? I live in Storke Ranch and my condo is right on Storke Road. Feel free to google maps Sweet Rain place. My master bedroom faces Storke road. I hear buses, cars, motorcycles, dogs, skateboards, IV elementary kids and of course UCSB students every day. I would not ask them to stop living, nor would I move to get away from this life. Windows work well to keep out the noise and if I want to open a window I might hear some life. It might be a bird, owl, kid, car, police, ambulance but it is life. I feel closing courts due to noise during regular hours of 8 am - 8pm is a disservice to our community and a bit ridiculous.

Rob Sparrow

Dear Shanna Dawson,

We are writing in support of the continuation and upgrading of the Pickleball courts at the Goleta Valley Community Center. The sport is going through rapid growth worldwide and municipalities across the county have joined in building courts to support the members of their communities who seek to play.

The City of Goleta not only needs to keep open the courts at GVCC but also needs to plan additional courts for the community. The sport has a very low cost of entry, a quick learning curve and has participants from the age of 5 and up. The courts are very low maintenance, do not require supervision and require only 1,800 square feet for the ideal size but can be played in as little as 1,300 square feet.

Pickleball play at GVCC this past couple of years has been a gift to the community. With the pandemic closing recreational opportunities to many of us, pickleball became a welcome pastime that was safe and easily accessible to the community.

I encourage the City of Goleta look into how other small to medium sized cities have taken the initiative to build pickleball facilities that are now an important recreational asset to the community that draws players from the surrounding areas and even from out of state. Add to that tournament play that would draw visitors and added business to our local merchants. (See St. George, Utah as one example of a city leveraging pickleball to benefit the community)

Sincerely,

Greg and Tami Starczak

Good morning,

I have met so many people through this sport, have maintained a healthy lifestyle, and have contributed economically to surrounding businesses in Old Town Goleta – All of which is only possible because you built these courts. Please make the GVCC pickleball courts permanent and even consider adding more courts. I strongly believe this will not only benefit me but benefit our community as a whole. I appreciate all you are doing to help make this a great community.

Isabelle Ste-Marie

City of Goleta,

Pickleball at GVCC was one of your best ideas ever. It fosters community, friendships, business and brings hundreds of people into Goleta who are buying gas, food and other services. We regularly visit businesses nearby after playing pickleball for a couple hours.

Please keep these courts open and make improvements so they can last forever.

Thanks, Carl

Sent from my mobile phone.

From:	Susie Stone
То:	Shanna Dawson
Subject:	GVCC Pickleball Courts
Date:	Tuesday, November 16, 2021 7:47:09 PM

I am writing to share my support for the pickleball courts at the Goleta Valley Community Center. As a long time Goleta resident, the pickleball courts are such a great addition to the GVCC, adding to the community space that is GVCC.

Pickleball has been a great outlet that I discovered during COVID. Pickleball was the answer to all that COVID was doing to us as a society. Where COVID brought isolation indoors, pickleball brought healthy connections with others in a safe outdoor space.

I am so grateful to all that contributed to making the pickleball courts happen in Goleta. It has been so helpful to me both physically and mentally, and I appreciate the variety of people that I have met through pickleball---different ages, ethnicities, occupations, political views, etc.---pickleball is a great unifying activity!

Thank you for considering making these courts a permanent fixture at GVCC. Susie Stone

Hello,

We have all been enduring the darkest of times on many levels. One thing in my life that has brought me a tremendous amount of joy is playing Pickleball! It has given me something to look forward to, a renewed interest in being active, a long

awaited social outlet, fresh air and a new zest for life.

I know that there are hundreds of others who would be sitting at home lamenting all of the woes of the world without this outlet.

PLEASE PLEASE PLEASE lets do everything that we can to keep this community activity alive and well, so that it can keep us alive and well and a part of a wonderful healthy community.

All the best,

Karen Strickland (805) 455-3226 Mr. Dawson:

It gets dark by 6 pm so the only place to play pickleball after work is at GVCC. There are NO other courts with lights! One of the smartest things the City did was to support these lighted pickleball courts. The next smartest thing they can do is make them permanent and then continue to support and grow our pickleball community.

Cheryl Tedesco

Hello,

As a 6 year resident of Old Town Goleta living in the Michelle Apartments adjacent to the Goleta Community Center, I would like to voice some opinions and concerns on the matter of more Pickleball Courts being proposed.

One of the things I love about the community center is that it feels like the heart to Goleta. It's a beautiful building and has the potential for inclusivity of all Goleta's many diverse residents and their needs. Pickleball seems to be catering to mostly white community members, as I've seen on my many walks. I feel strongly that other sports should be considered for representation. Talk to the community as a whole, welcome them to the facility when it's safe again to do so, and allow your residents to see the space and share in the vision of what the community center could be for everyone.

Last year I spoke with, I believe it was the director, over at the community center regarding pickle ball players taking over the courts and asked if there would be other sports represented, *as in but not limited to*, equal share time of the courts for residents who want to practice outdoor yoga or tai chi, learning to roller skate, or a bike court for children to learn and practice how to ride a bike in a safe environment. While the director listened to my concerns, he eventually said that the pickleball players had offered to pay for the resurfacing the courts which was why pickleball was being represented. To me this makes it sound like the Goleta Community Center is basically for sale to the highest bidder willing to pay for their sport to be in the forefront. This is both elitist and noninclusive behavior swinging the figurative door wide open for the gentrification of this community. Goleta's many diverse residents is what makes this such a wonderful place to live and raise a family, and the community center should be making sure all voices are being heard.

Additionally I voiced concern that the pickleball players are playing all day, from the early morning until late at night. They are not being considerate of the residents of the neighborhood. I work from home with a number of other residents in the area and all we hear all day long is the POP POP of the pickleball and loud talking and cheering from the players multiple hours of the day through the late evening hours, every day of the week. I was told by the director that I wasn't the first person to bring this issue up and that it would be addressed. It apparently never was because it just became worse over the last year. I can't have my windows open in my office during the day because of the continuous, monotonous sounds from the courts. I can't relax in my apartment in the evening and read a book without their noise making it unpleasant. Sometimes they play until 11PM or later if the weather is nice. If you're going to put more courts in, then there need to be restrictions on the play times, and mix other sports in so it's not just the monotony of the pickleball sounds. The courts should be treated like a park.... Sunrise to sunset at the very least, inclusive of diverse sports, not just focusing on the latest trend where money is being thrown around.

Thank you for you time and for reading through my concerns. I hope greatly that my voice is heard and that my talking points are taken into consideration and read aloud at the meeting.

Respectfully, Pam Terry

From:	Marcos Valles
То:	Shanna Dawson
Subject:	Please make Pickleball Courts permanent.
Date:	Tuesday, November 16, 2021 8:56:32 PM

I'm writing this email to show my support for the Goleta Valley Community Pickleball Courts. I grew up at the Goleta Boys Club (next to the courts). Also a nephew to Sal Rodriguez who the Boys Club is named after. I can say I've never seen these courts used for so many people of all ages. As I am 43 years old now. I use these Courts 2-3 days a week. It's a great way to unwind after a long days work after I leave my business (Magnolia Barbershop). And also a great way to meet other Pickleball players from the community. Also with the days changing these are some of the only courts that have lights in the evening. I'm sure my Mom, Mother-N-Law, and Father-N-Law will be writing a email with their concerns as they do play 3-4 days a week as well. Thank u. Marcos Valles

Sent from my iPhone

Pickleball is dramatically meeting people's needs for exercise, play, and community, while requiring little from the city to make this happen. Happy and contented people tend to spend more money, volunteer more, and contribute in positive and dynamic ways to their community, which in this case is the city of Goleta! Imagine the partnerships that could happen between happy and energized Pickleball players and a revamped community center!

I strongly support updating the GVCC courts and making them permanent and believe it will contribute to the flourishing of Old Town Goleta.

Florie Wachtenheim

Pickleball is so popular and there are very few places to play in Goleta. Before GVCC courts I always went to Santa Barbara, but even there the space is limited

We need more courts, please make these courts permanent and even consider making improvements and adding more courts in Goleta.

Thank you, Donna Will

(paying member of GVCC Pickleball)

Hello! We love playing pickleball at GVCC because

it promotes community, good health, friendships and all around makes Goleta a better place to live!

I support giving pickleball a permanent home at GVCC and expanding the support so more people in Goleta can enjoy it.

Please keep the courts available!

Thanks- Rhonda and Josh Yager

Hi,

If you have ever visited open play on Tuesday night - Thursday night - Sat or Sun morning you'd see how popular and great these courts are to the community.

Thank you for installing these courts and please make the needed improvements and consider adding more courts in Goleta.

Thank you!

Make the courts Permeant ! Save our courts !

Warning: Pickleball at GVCC is addictive!

The good news is it promotes community, good health, friendships and all around makes Goleta a better place to live!

I support giving pickleball a permanent home at GVCC and expanding the support so more people in Goleta can enjoy it.

Jeff Yost

Hi,

Please don't close the courts.

I have met so many people through this sport its been vital during the pandemic. It's really helped me and I have contributed economically to surrounding businesses in Old Town Goleta . All of which is only possible because you built these courts.

Thanks so much,

Ann

Ann Zafiratos Berkshire Hathaway Top 1% of agents nationwide 805 448 4317 azafiratos@bhhscal.com My name is Stacy Zelenski and I am writing in favor to KEEP the courts.

In very much love and enjoy the courts as well as the friendships. It definitely helped me through the uncertainty during Covid. Pickleball is great for both your mental and physical well being.

Thank you Stacy Zelenski

Sent from Yahoo Mail for iPhone

Thanks for re-opening the GVCC pickleball courts after their brief closure! Now, let's make them permanent! Im not sure what the problem is. We have committed to taking steps to dampen the sound. We're a giant group of community members who care greatly about staying mobile and fit..that's a good thing, right?

There are so many divisions that are tearing apart our nation and community. It is a rare gift when people can unite around something, even a silly game like Pickleball, that is bigger than themselves. The GVCC Pickleball courts have been a place of unity for so many people, and with unity comes strength for our community and city.

Please choose to strengthen our city by making the GVCC courts permanent and maybe even adding more courts. Kind regards Katie Zelko Hello!

Goleta Valley Pickleball courts are vital for the flourishing of the city of Goleta!

I have met so many people through this sport and we have contributed economically to surrounding businesses. Please make the GVCC courts permanent and even consider adding more courts. I strongly believe these courts enhance the community.

All the best, Heidi Ziskind

Sent from my iPhone