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Having just attended the meeting this evening I have a few comments.

I understand the concerns of the people in the Oak Circle Community. The traffic in this area is already more than this community can handle due to the popularity of the Pickleball courts. I also understand that Vinyardr Park might not be the best park to pilot this for all the reasons mentioned in the meeting.

Having said this, I saw many people raising objections and not many people offering solutions. There are many, many dogs in this town that need the socialization and exercise required to produce a healthy, well balanced animal. We as a community need to offer this possibility to pets and their owners. Our town has numerous parks. Many of them under utilized. Is it possible to consider a smaller park and convert it to a fenced in area and not necessarily limit the hours. I saw a lot of people up there looking out for number 1 but not many looking outside of their small box.

It is really a shame that our town has everything but a recreational area for our canine community. I would love to see someone come up with a compromise. I am hopeful that at the end of the day the Elementary School Ball Field will be utilized in part for this purpose. In the meantime can an alternative park be considered?

Thank you,
Patty Walsh