



Town of Yountville

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Staff Report

Item #: D

Parks & Recreation Advisory Commission Staff Report

DATE: May 16, 2024
TO: Parks & Recreation Advisory Commission
FROM: Samantha Holland, Parks & Recreation Director

SUBJECT:
Court Reservation Discussion

DISCUSSION/BACKGROUND

The Parks and Recreation Department currently offers reservations for the bocce, tennis and pickleball courts in Yountville.

BOCCE COURTS

The 4 Bocce Courts at Veterans Memorial Park are offered for individual reservation with or apart from the picnic site (Site 5). The courts are available for reservation on Tuesday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday year round with the exception of when it rains and courts are not playable. Monday, Wednesday and Thursdays from May – October, Bocce League is operated on the courts.

TENNIS COURTS

The Tennis court at Vineyard Park is available for reservation 7 days a week, year round but only one rental per day for 2 hours. This leaves the court fully available for drop in use from 8 AM – Dusk except for those 2 hours.

PICKLEBALL COURTS

Two Pickleball Courts at Vineyard Park are available on Saturday and Sundays, one rental per day for 2 hours. This leaves 2 courts always available for drop in use and the full 4 courts available 8 AM – Dusk with the exception of the 2 –courts for 2-hours if reserved. We only offer the weekends because Monday – Friday there are programmed play times for different groups each day. (Advanced, Intermediate, Beginner).

Staff has received feedback specific to the reservation of the Pickleball Courts. The feedback is that allowing reservations on 2 courts when the facility is busy on weekend mornings, creates issues because the courts are already full. Observation is that it causes a longer wait time for people to rotate onto the courts for open play.

From April 2023 – April 2024, the Pickleball Courts were reserved 44 times. 33 reservations were Non-Residents and 11 were Residents. There were no reservations in November or December. Of these 44 rentals,

Staff is asking for feedback from the Commission on our current policies for reservations either specific to the Pickleball Courts or as a whole. Our goal is always to take feedback and analyze if there are better ways of doing things. Knowing that the Pickleball Courts are a highly utilized amenity both by residents and non-residents and that utilization on the weekend mornings especially in the warmer month is the highest, we are

asking the Commission for feedback.

Options for consideration: (Not a comprehensive list)

- Offering only reservations of the Pickleball Courts on weekends after 11 AM
- Not offering Pickleball Court reservations at all.

FISCAL IMPACT

Is there a Fiscal Impact? No

Is it Currently Budgeted? No

Where is it Budgeted?

Is it Mandatory or Discretionary? Discretionary

Is there a Staff Resource Impact? Nominal

RECOMMENDATION

Receive staff report and direct questions to staff.

Receive public comment.

Conduct discussion.

Provide Feedback to Staff.