



Agenda Item: 11.C
Date of Meeting: February 23, 2026
Department: Community Services

STAFF REPORT

To: City Council
From: Dan McElroy
Subject: **Council Discussion on Six-Court Pickleball Layout for the Lower Courts**
Prepared On: February 18, 2026
Attachments: Bishop Pickleball Layout

Background/History:

At the Bishop City Council meeting held on January 26th, 2026, the City Council held a discussion regarding the striping of the Upper Courts. Through public input gained during this discussion, the City Council gave staff direction to investigate the potential of adding six pickleball courts to the Lower Courts. Per City Council direction, staff reached out to Bishop Union High School Tennis to see if there was any conflict with the layout of six pickleball courts. Staff was also asked to reach out to the Bishop Pickleball Group to look at the layout of six courts. The findings from Bishop Union High School are that the pickleball lines will not affect High School Tennis play, if the lines are a different color. The findings from the Bishop Pickleball Group are that the six-court layout would be possible, if some adjustments are made to create distance from court to court, and would also recommend looking into court dividers and some modifications to the portable pickleball nets to accommodate all six courts.

Analysis/Discussion:

The City Park is a place for many user groups and includes different Paddle Sports that use the Park Courts. Through the Community Service staff investigation, the findings are that a six-court layout on the lower courts would be possible and will provide for more use at our existing courts. Attached is the six-court layout on the Lower Courts provided by the Bishop Pickleball Group. Staff would recommend moving forward with this layout knowing that some modifications will need to be made to accommodate for a six-court layout.

Impacts to Council Goals and Strategic Planning Priorities:

Through these discussions, we are gaining input from the public on future items in the Strategic Plan and Parks Master Plan.

Budget Impacts:

There are no budget impacts.

Legal Review:

Recommended Action:

Provide staff direction on the striping of the Upper and Lower courts.

Approved By: Pam Foster 2/18/2026

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