CITY OF MORGAN HILL

Regular Meeting Agenda

Parks and Recreation Commission

Maureen Grzan-Pieracci	-	*Chair*
David Lovato	-	*Vice Chair*
Shweta Maniar	-	*Commissioner*
John Moniz	-	*Commissioner*
Richard Scott	-	*Commissioner*
Craig van Keulen	-	*Commissioner*
Harpreet Vittal	-	*Commissioner*

Tuesday, October 18, 2022 7:00 PM

Online

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- Send public comments in writing to chris.ghione@morganhill.ca.gov

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CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL ATTENDANCE

DECLARATION OF POSTING AGENDA

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

PUBLIC COMMENT

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RECOGNITIONS

COMMUNITY SERVICES DIRECTOR REPORT

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

BUSINESS

1. **Accept September 2022 Meeting Minutes**
   Recommendation:
   Accept September 22, 2022 PRC meeting minutes.

2. **Recommend Pickleball Court Priority Location**
   Recommendation:
   Provide City staff with a recommendation on priority location for future Pickleball Courts.

3. **Work Plan Updates**
   Recommendation:
   Provide Work Plan Updates.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

FUTURE COMMISSION AGENDA ITEMS

ADJOURNMENT

NOTICE

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PUBLIC COMMENT

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CITY OF MORGAN HILL

MEETING MINUTES

Parks and Recreation Commission

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Craig van Keulen	-	*Commissioner*
Harpreet Vittal	-	*Commissioner*

Tuesday, September 20, 2022 7:00 PM

Online

CALL TO ORDER

7:00pm

ROLL CALL ATTENDANCE

Commissioner van Keulen Absent

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None.

PUBLIC SERVICES DIRECTOR REPORT
Report provided by Chris Ghione

ADOPTION OF AGENDA
Motion Lovato, Second Scott, Adopted 6-0

BUSINESS

1. ACCEPTANCE OF JULY MEETING MINUTES
Recommendation:
Accept July 19, 2022 Meeting Minutes

Motion to approve with correction to Commission van Keulen's attendance by Grzan-Pieracci, Second Moniz, Accepted 6-0

2. WORK PLAN UPDATES AND DISCUSSION
Recommendation:
Discuss Work Plan Items

Updates provided

ANNOUNCEMENTS
Commisioners shared announcements.

FUTURE COMMISSION AGENDA ITEMS
None

ADJOURNMENT
7:30pm

CITY OF MORGAN HILL

PARKS AND RECREATION STAFF REPORT
MEETING DATE: October 18, 2022

PREPARED BY:
Chris Ghione, Public Services Director
APPROVED BY: Chris Ghione

RECOMMEND PICKLEBALL COURT PRIORITY LOCATION

RECOMMENDATION(S)
Provide City staff with a recommendation on priority location for future Pickleball Courts.

REPORT NARRATIVE:
Background
In 2021, the City was approached by several community members interested in developing outdoor pickleball courts in Morgan Hill. At that time, the City had no outdoor courts available for the community. Over the last several years, pickleball has been a very fast growing sport across the country, often with older adults participating in high numbers. Considering the continued growth in popularity of the sport and the continued growth of the City's older adult population, the City staff is highly supportive of developing pickleball for the community.

Immediate Court Development
In March 2022, the Commission recommended the development of a combined pickleball court/basketball court facility on the existing basketball courts at Community Park. City staff painted three pickleball courts onto the existing basketball courts. Nets are able to be picked up and setup from the Centennial Recreation Center. Currently, hours for pickleball are daily prior to 2pm, with the courts available for basketball after 2pm daily. The new courts have been extremely successful with numerous days of the week being completely full for pickleball use. Staff also continue to observe the use of the basketball courts regularly after 2pm.

New Pickleball Court Construction
The City's Bikeways, Trails, Parks and Recreation Master Plan does call for construction of new courts that can be used for both pickleball and tennis in the future. However, the additional room needed to provide for full-sized tennis courts is much larger than the space required to develop pickleball courts. The Commission has previously reviewed development plans for the expansion of Jackson Park, which could include pickleball and tennis courts, but that expansion is linked to the construction of a new housing development and a schedule for that development is unavailable. Additionally, the concrete basketball court surfacing is not as ideal as surfacing designed for pickleball. For this reason, the City is recommending the construction of new pickleball courts at an existing park site.

In March, City staff presented multiple options for court sites. At that time, staff were not supportive of constructing new permanent pickleball courts at Community Park due to parking constraints considering the anticipated parking impacts of the new Magical Bridge Playground. However, after opening the playground and adding the shared pickleball courts at Community Park, staff observations have documented that adequate parking does exist for permanent pickleball sites there. Based on past discussion from the Commission, comments from the pickleball players, and staff review, two potential sites are being discussed.

Community Park Site -This site would be an addition of courts directly west of the existing combined basketball/pickleball courts. Positives associated with the new courts include equated space for a greater number of courts and proximity to the existing courts. Additionally, due to the location and existing use of the basketball courts, there would be no sound issues for neighboring residents. Some of the challenges of the site include longer walks to restrooms and to parking. The City has also received a very limited number of complaints from dog park users regarding having to walk further for parking.

Galvan Park Site - This site would potentially reconfigure the parking lot to add courts. Positives associated with this potential site include replacement of existing impervious surfaces which is much easier to develop from an environmental perspective. The site also has significant adjacent parking and a planned new restroom adjacent to the courts. Some of the challenges associated with the site include sound impacts that could affect neighbors and limitations on the number of courts due to limiting the amount of parking loss.

On September 29, the Commission sub-committee for Pickleball (Commissioner Moniz) and City staff hosted a meeting to discuss the potential sites with the pickleball community. An informal poll at the meeting showed a high preference for the Community Park site. A letter from the group is attached confirming that preference. A layout of potential site options, prepared by the Commission Subcommittee, is also included as an attachment.

The recommendation of the site by the Commission is not the final step in the selection of a site. It will be the first step in conducting the deeper review on the feasibility of a site selected. City staff is requesting that one site be prioritized for cost estimating, design work and environmental review to be conducted. Before moving forward with construction, the project would go to the City Council for review and funding appropriation.

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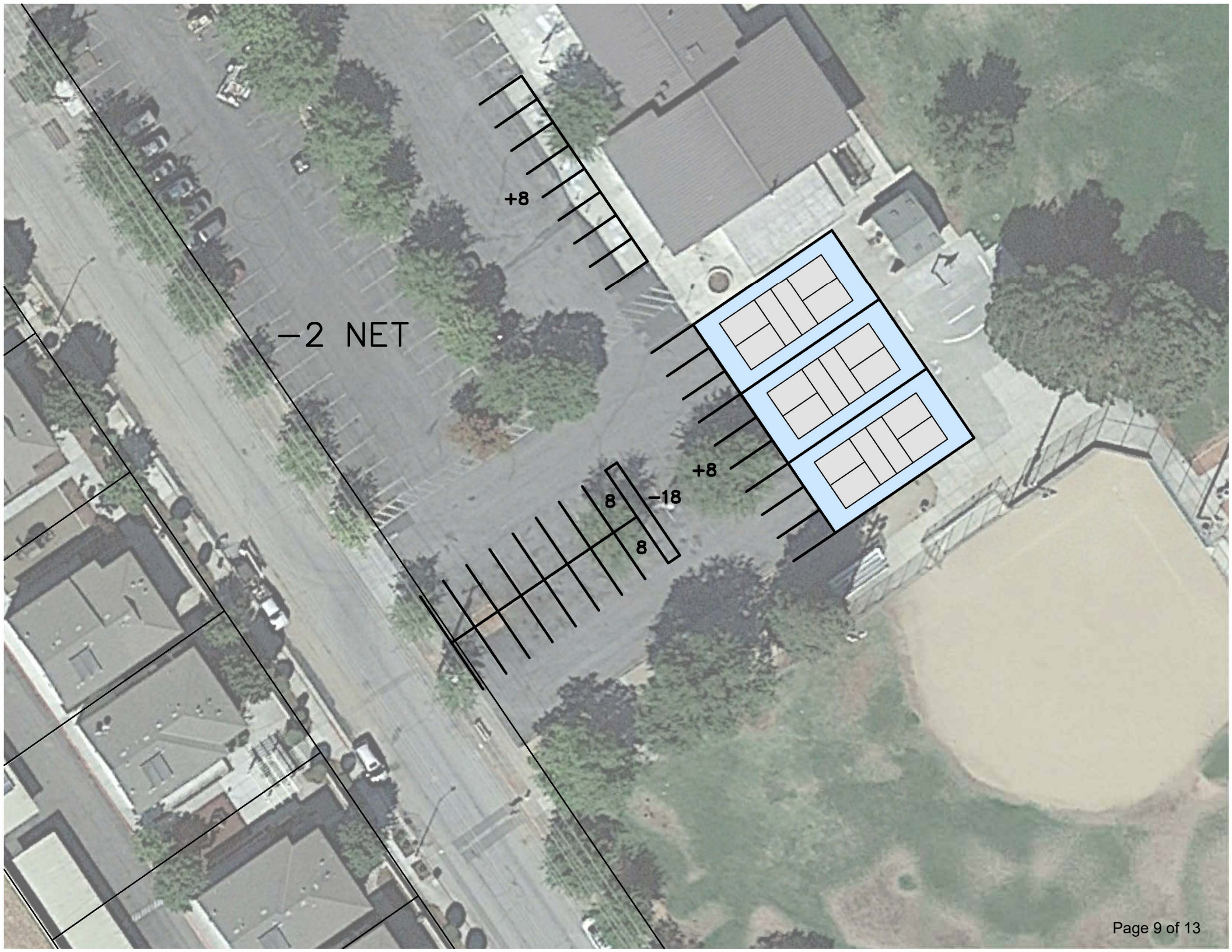
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October 18, 2022

TO: Morgan Hill Parks & Recreation Commission
Chris Ghione, Public Services Director
Jennie Tucker, Recreation Manager

We wish to thank all of you for bringing outdoor pickleball to Morgan Hill. Originally, Morgan Hill was a bit of a late adopter of the sport, but you have more than made up for it with your speed in developing temporary and now permanent pickleball courts. It has been an excellent collaborative experience working with City Recreation staff. They sought our opinions, listened attentively and set a rapid course to bringing quality courts to the public. Thank you to staff and the Commission members that have backed the action.

Many of us had the opportunity to review the two options for courts with Chris Ghione, and countless others watched the recording of the meeting. We were surprised and delighted to learn there will be four counts. We are also impressed at the creativity in finding a way to keep pickleball in Community Park. All of the individuals below have provided their preferences in writing and by and by far their preferred location is Option 2, the Community Park site.

The #2 solution has numerous advantages, among them:

- Community Park is the heart of recreation in Morgan Hill. The visibility will attract even more pickleball players.
- Community Park gives the sport room to grow, since the continued availability of the basketball courts offers overflow into potentially seven full courts in the busy hours.
- Community Park offers a comfortable level of security, surrounded by nearly continuous activity and nearby staffing at the CRC.
- Community Park is walking distance from the Senior Center, one important group of users. Likewise, the nearby basketball and skate park, it is near to youth.
- Community Park offers the opportunity for us to continue to work with the tennis community to achieve some commonality of resources. One of these is to store some pickleball support items in their shed and this only works at the Community site.
- Community Park can handle eventual lighted courts without neighborhood concerns. We understand lighting may require supplementary funding.
- Community Park, unlike Gavilan Park, poses no risk of pickleball noise disturbing neighborhood residents.

Thank you for the opportunity to express our preference for your consideration.

Pickleball players in support of Option #2, Community Park:

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Belluomini	Tom	tommybell1@yahoo.com
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Parks & Recreation Commission

FY 2022-23 Work Plan – Approved by the City Council on September 28, 2022

Project (Commissioner Responsible)	City Council Priority Supported	Staff Resources Required	Desired Outcome
1. Get youth more active in Parks and Recreation	Supporting Our Youth, Seniors & Entire Community	Recreation Manager (Minimal)	Review program opportunities for new youth programming. (Maniar/Vittal/Lovato)
2. Support bicycle and trails development efforts	Supporting Our Youth, Seniors & Entire Community	PS Director (Minimal)	1. Support the VTA Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee. (Not Assigned) 2. Work to coordinate with community members on bicycle and trails issues with volunteer Bicycle and Pedestrian Advocacy Group. (Lovato)
3. Support the Morgan Hill Magical Bridge ongoing operations	Supporting Our Youth, Seniors & Entire Community	Recreation Supervisor and Coordinator (Moderate)	Support and enhance the ongoing volunteer and ambassador efforts at the Morgan Hill Magical Bridge Playground, including a youth volunteer program. (Vittal)
4. Support planning for updated sports facilities and partnerships	Supporting Our Youth, Seniors & Entire Community Economic Development	Recreation Manager (Minimal)	1. Monitor Outdoor Sports Center transition to new operator. (van Keulen) 2. Monitor Centennial Recreation Center Expansion programming. (van Keulen)
5. Support City in grant opportunities	Supporting Our Youth, Seniors & Entire Community Fiscal Sustainability	PS Director (Moderate) Mngt Analyst (Moderate)	1. Support City staff in identifying and evaluating grant opportunities and associated projects. (Scott/Maniar) 2. Explore opportunities for tree establishment watering funding. (Grzan-Pieracci)
6. Increase volunteer Adopt a Park Program participation	Supporting Our Youth, Seniors & Entire Community Fiscal Sustainability	PS Director (Minimal) CS Supervisor (Minimal)	As an exploratory committee, evaluate the opportunity to recreate ongoing volunteer groups to support park maintenance. (Scott/Lovato)
7. Evaluate opportunities to increase youth involvement in park planning	Supporting Our Youth, Seniors & Entire Community	PS Director (Minimal) Rec Coord (Minimal)	Work with City staff to review opportunities to more formally include youth in park planning projects. (Grzan-Pieracci/Moniz/Lovato)

Project (Commissioner Responsible)	City Council Priority Supported	Staff Resources Required	Desired Outcome
8. Support City park planning efforts	Supporting Our Youth, Seniors & Entire Community	PS Director (Minimal)	1. Evaluate future opportunities for parkland acquisition and development. (van Keulen/Lovato) 2. Research opportunities for the creation of additional dog parks in existing or new park spaces (Moniz). 3. Evaluate locations for new pickleball courts within existing park space (Moniz)
9. Review pedestrian access to park space for high density housing areas	Supporting Our Youth, Seniors & Entire Community	PS Director (Minimal)	Explore and develop a walkability audit for new high-density housing. (Grzan-Pieracci/Moniz)
10. Develop Health and Wellness Fair for the General Community	Supporting Our Youth, Seniors & Entire Community	Sr Rec Supervisor (Moderate)	1. Evaluate the opportunity and community need for a health and wellness community resource fair. 2. Potentially organize and implement the event. (Vittal/Grzan-Pieracci/Lovato)

Staff Resources Required: 0-50 hours = Minimal 51-100 hours = Moderate 100+ hours = Significant