

Outdoor Court Feedback Summary

Engagement Opportunity #2

May 25 – June 8, 2022



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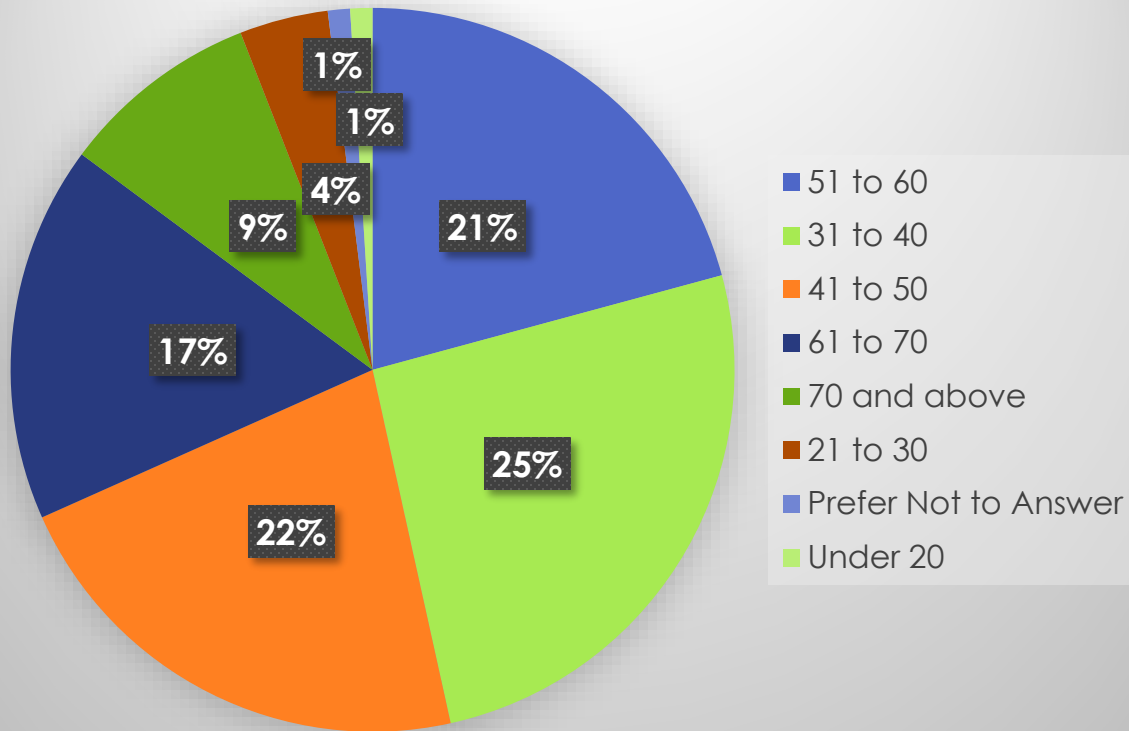
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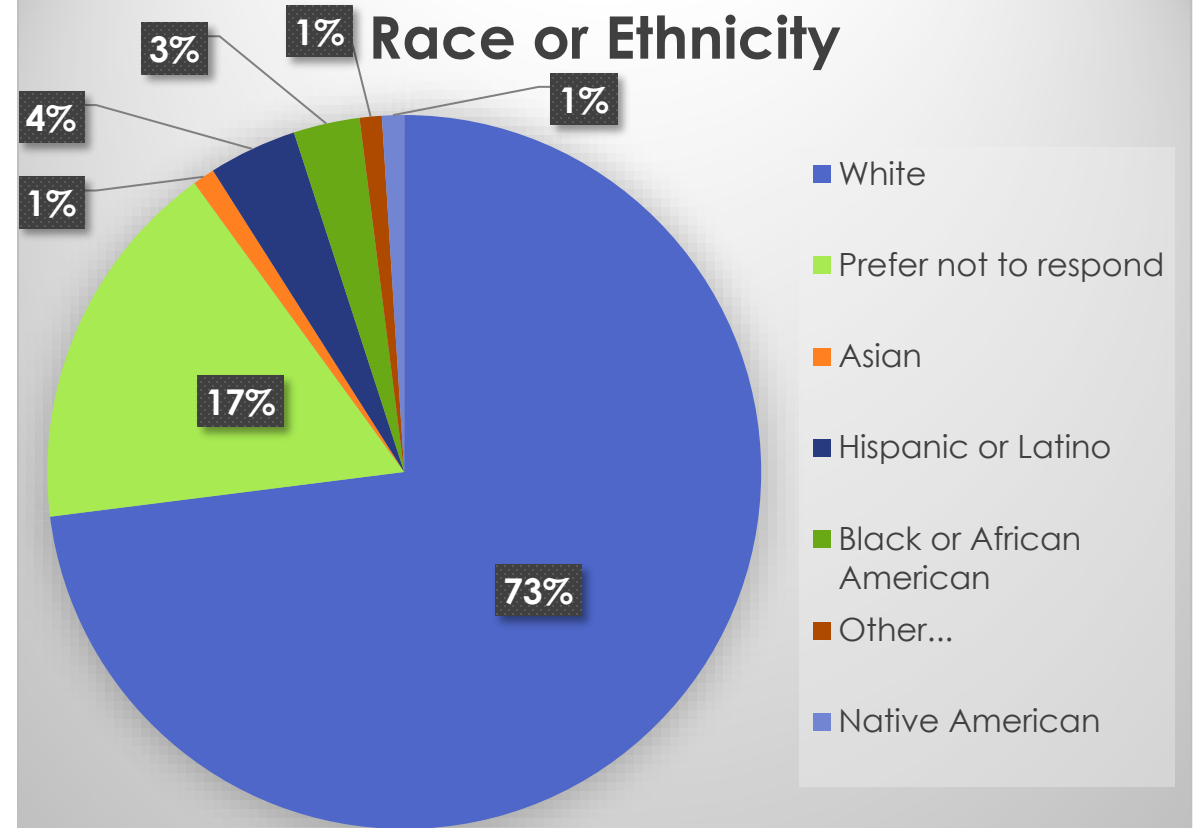
Demographics

347 Total Responses

Age Range

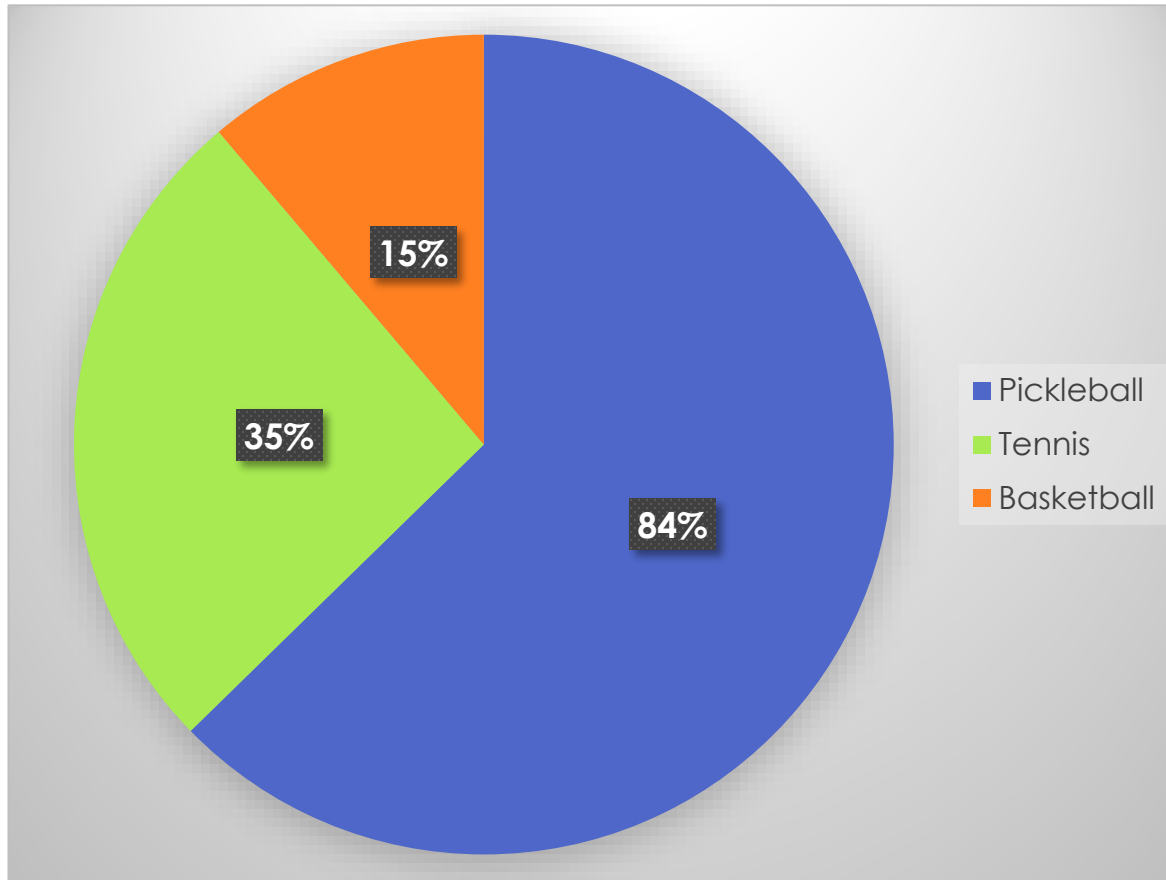


Race or Ethnicity



What Sport Do You Play?

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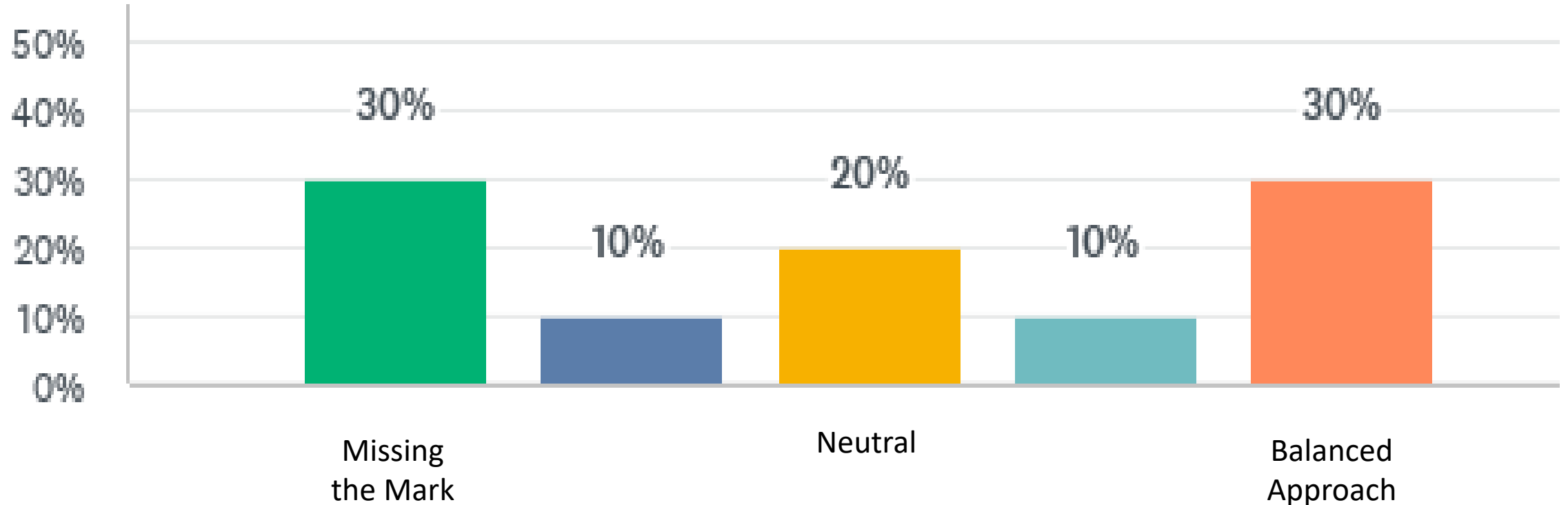


- In our initial Court Engagement regarding court use in Arlington, 63% of the respondents played tennis, 36% played pickleball and 19% basketball.
- We also heard from people who played other court sports, however, as this engagement didn't affect other sports, we only focused on these three.

Ranking in order of importance our criteria for selecting pickleball sites.

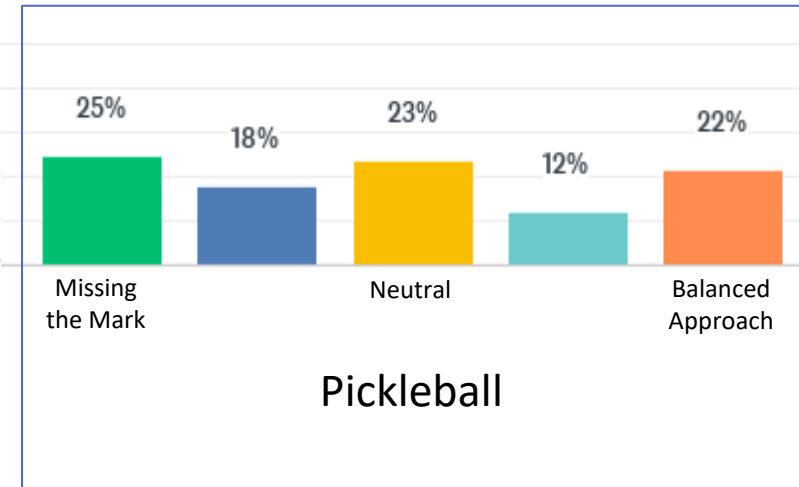
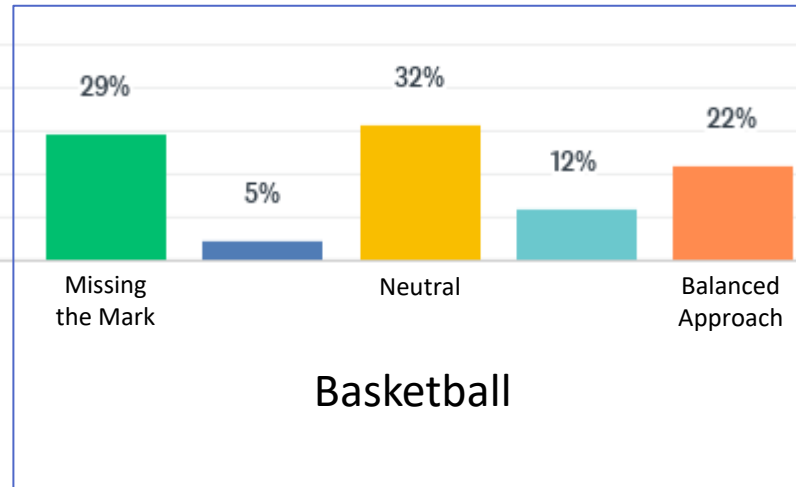
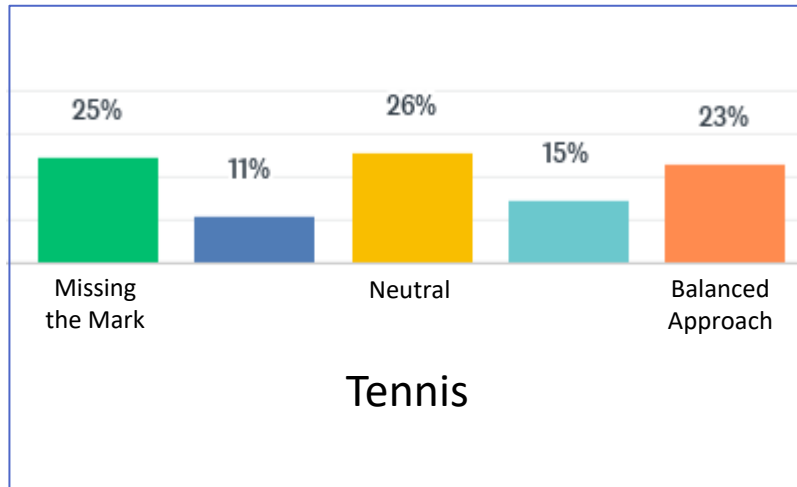
Criteria	Ranking
• Site has two or more courts located adjacent to each other	1st
• Access to off-street parking	2nd
• Courts have lights	3rd
• Access to permanent restrooms	4th
• Located in a high-density planning area	5th
• Located at least one mile from an existing pickleball court	6th

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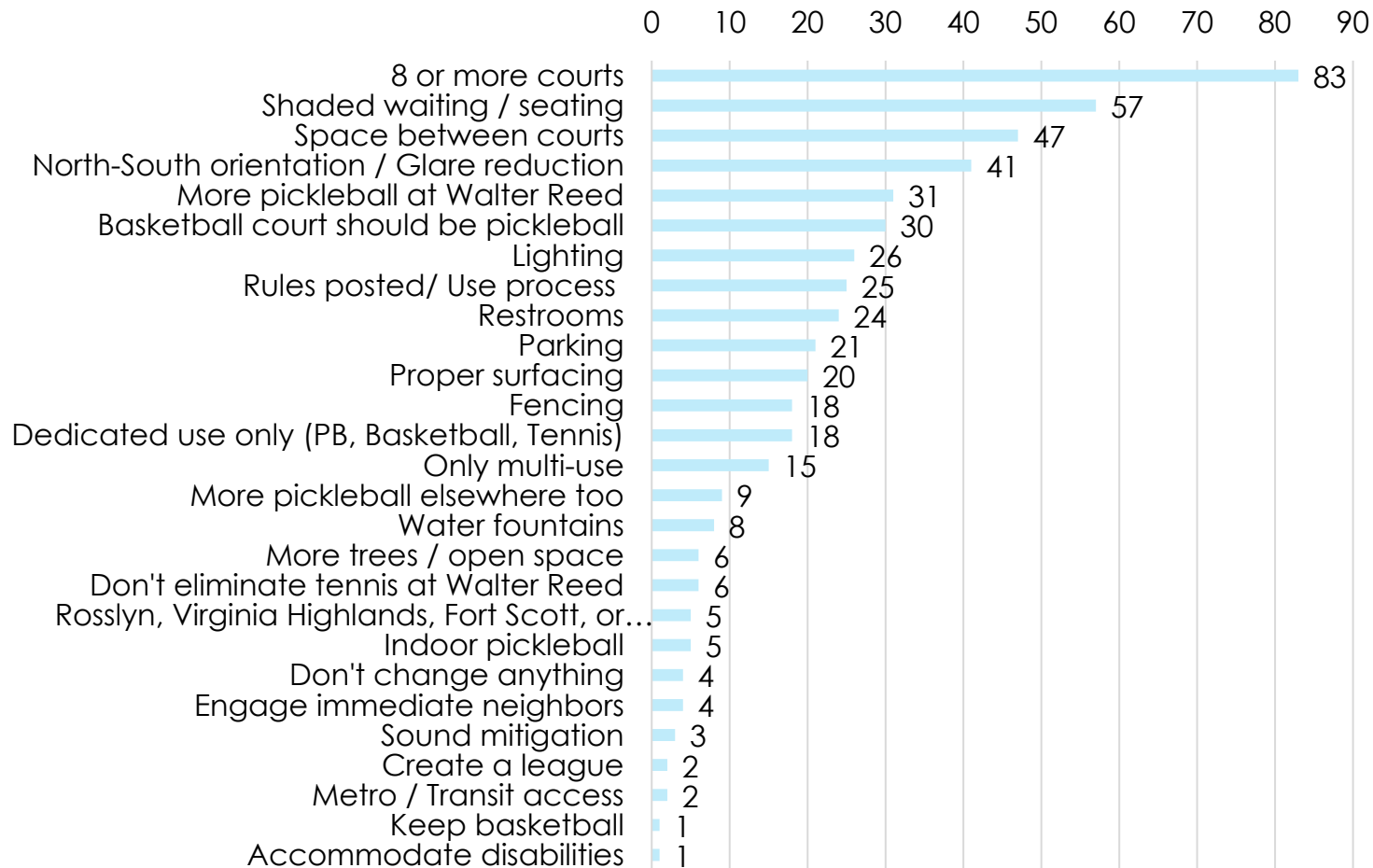
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Considering the growing interest in pickleball and the current needs of tennis players and the community, does the County's criteria for determining pickleball court place seem balanced?



Across all court users, regardless of sport, about the same number of people who thought the approach was balanced also thought that it missed the mark. And about the same percent, didn't feel strongly either way.

Walter Reed has been designated as the future standalone pickleball facility. Please share your top priority when developing a standalone pickleball facility. (tagged comments-- # of mentions)

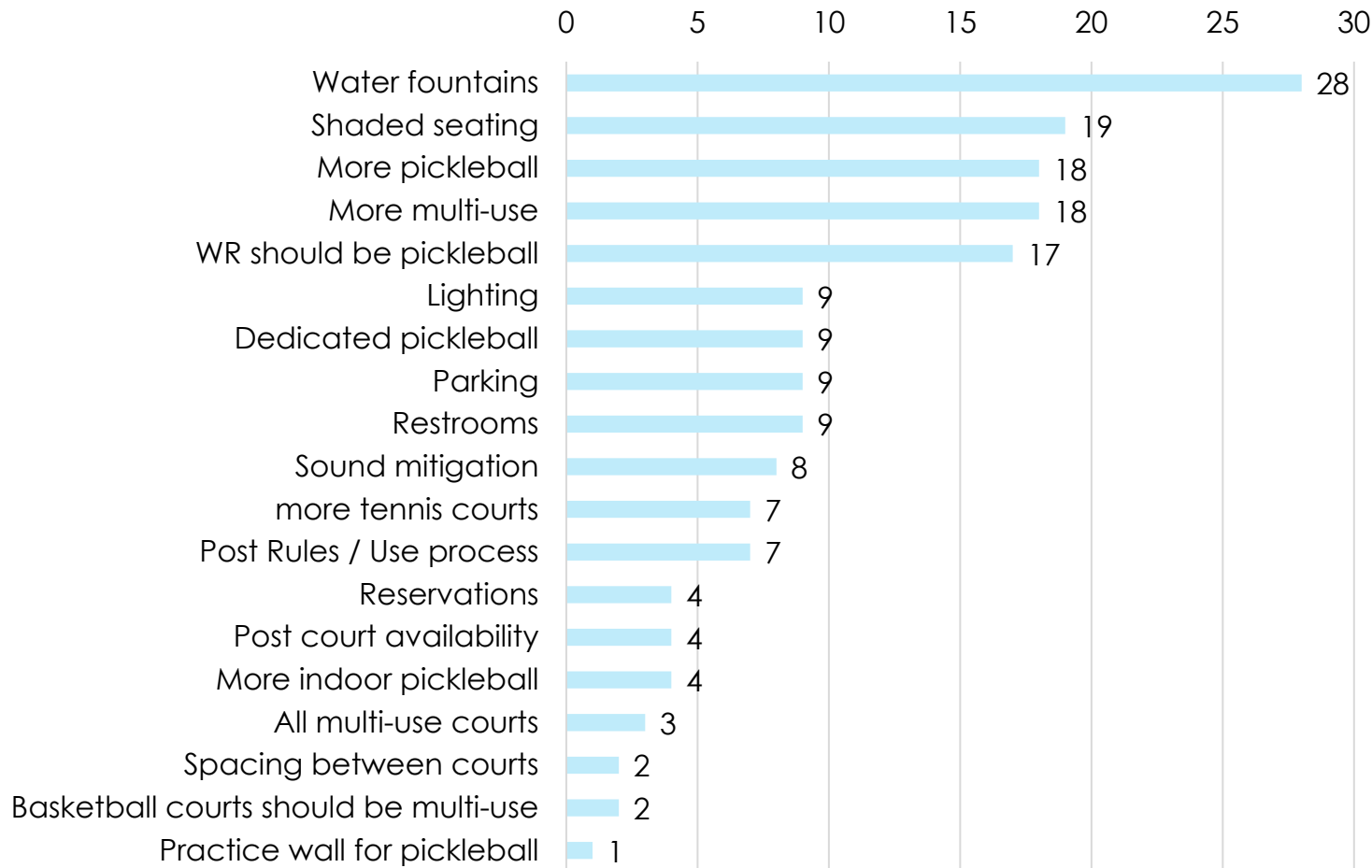


Emerging Themes:

- Increase the number of courts to at least eight dedicated courts at Walter Reed
- There were also comments to convert the basketball court, at least partially, to a dedicated pickleball court
- Improve the waiting and play experience through:
 - Shaded waiting/seating
 - Space between courts
 - North-South orientation
 - Lighting
 - Rules Posted
 - Restrooms
 - Parking
 - Proper surfacing
 - Fencing
- All sport players to have clear roles and process for use, times, order of play, and reservations

Please share any additional comments about pickleball courts generally

(tagged comments-- # of mentions)



Emerging Themes:

Responses here focused on the same themes previous articulated, but in a slightly different order :

- The main message we heard was 'Help us hydrate'
- Improve the waiting and play experience
 - Shaded seating
 - Lighting
 - Parking
 - Sound mitigation
 - Post rules
 - Reservations
 - Post court availability
 - Space between courts
 - Practice wall
- Lastly, there was continued interest from players for clear roles and process for use, times, order of play, and reservations

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Walter Reed Standalone Pickleball Courts – Anticipated Timeline

- November 2022: Bond Referendum to secure funding
- Winter 2023: Community engagement to develop courts
- Spring – Fall 2023: Develop Construction Drawings and Permitting
- Fall 2023-- Summer 2024: Construction

Multi-Use Court Anticipated Timeline

- Fall 2022: Condition Assessment: Assess 4-6 tennis courts to create multi-use 8-12 pickleball courts
- November 2022: Bond Referendum to secure funding
- Winter 2023: Inform community as to which courts are selected to be restriped as multi-use courts
- Spring 2023: Construction, including resurfacing and restriping. Based on the court conditions and weather, the resurfacing and restriping will likely take 2-4 weeks.