

**Walter Reed Pickleball Project – Open House
COMMENTS FROM BREAKOUT STATIONS
February 2023**

• PICKLEBALL COURT LAYOUT CONSIDERATIONS

- Where are they going to park?
- Current space cannot accommodate 9 courts. 8 courts max. if using current tennis pas is used.
- Put in more pickleball courts
- Horizontal walls with horizontal openings for some visibility and sound dampening.
- 36 courts please.
- Parking.
- Change the footprint of the courts so that they are parallel to 16th Street, but as far as possible from 16th Street.
- Condemn local house, pay mark value, build more pickleball courts.
- Please move the porta-jon here at WR to a better location. Thanks.
- Who says we/Arlington County needs more courts? Not for my tax \$ pay for MD and DC people to use resident county courts.
- We need a DEDICATED BASKETBALL COURT. Too many kids and adults of lower socio-economic status are turned away without it. This has caused many arguments when neighborhood residents want to play basketball.
- Demand for pickleball at WR now cannot be handled by the 9 courts. Strongly advise building at least 12 courts.
- My issue is having the basketball courts reserved for pickleball while the six actual pickleball courts are empty.
- Keep basketball court as a shared use court with designated hours of play.
- Leave smaller courts for basketball.
- Do not increase the courts!! Is already too many!! Spread the wealth!
- Pickleball is safer than both basketball and tennis. No tennis elbow.
- Restrict non-County people from using our Arlington County courts? Why do our tax \$ have to pay for demand by MD and DC?
- 2 courts = OK, 6 courts = UNACCEPTABLE, 9 courts = NO
- We need the dedicated courts and please keep the pickleball lines on the basketball court.
- Provide adequate space for players waiting to play.
- Pickleball to remain sharing the three courts with basketball.
- Please provide some dedicated basketball courts (current bball is overtaken by nets).
- All courts should be multi-use, lights off, gates locked at 9:00pm. Redo WRCC courts so they lie N – S, not East – West.

- What about the gondola!?
- No than you!!! The community center is good how it is. I don't need another court on the block.
- We need as many dedicated PB courts as possible in an expanded footprint with N – S orientation. Design a large shade area and sound proofing on neighborhood sides.
- Move this project somewhere with no houses! Long Bridge.
- I would like to keep it like it is so it can be for everyone. This center is for all people.
- It frustrates me to hear the pickleball. I don't like it at all.
- Park should remain multi-use.
- Stripe for pickleball, basketball and tennis.
- We could turn this room into a pickleball court. We can't play basketball in it.
- Pickleball lines to say on basketball court. We need lights there as well.
- Keep the basketball court as a shared use court. Shared use courts need designated hours of play to keep everyone happy!
- Where is the study to show how many courts/demand for PB is needed? No statistically sound study has been made public. Please make it public.
- Do a sound study.
- Need more pickleball courts! Outdoor and indoor.
- North – South facing courts. More than 5' space between courts. At least 8' from baseline to fence.
- Consider moving the surface parking lot towards 16th Street. Place pickleball courts in the middle of the park.
- My family has lived here for 17 years. This is our park. I would prefer for my community center and neighborhood park to continue to prioritize service to the local community rather than be a regional hub for a sport my family doesn't play.
- Take out the pickleball from the basketball court.
- Individual fences around courts. 7' between courts.
- I go ga-ga for gondolas.
- Long Bridge parking lot?
- Courts should be north to south with sound proofing along the fence.
- Don't take pickleball away from basketball courts; serves no purpose.
- Make sure we have fencing between courts. Cuts down on people stopping to get balls. Games will finish faster.
- This is nuts.
- Basketball court lighting.
- Why is this focused around pickleball?
- Need locks on courts after hours or someone monitoring times. Arlington residents or 55+ (membership) to Walter Reed. Again would need monitoring.
- Still very large groups of people. Keep number of courts to a minimum, please.
- Pickleball saves lives – fights depression.
- Be sure to orientate north – south (not the way they are now)
- Add fences between courts, chest high, to stop balls from rolling onto neighboring courts.

- Pickleball is always cheaper to play than tennis. Expensive rackets, restringing rackets, no tennis balls from a gas seal to a can.
- Please don't take pickleball away from basketball courts. Until 2:00pm.
- Although I enjoy play pickleball, I do not want our WRCC to have 9 designated courts.
- Do you know how much noise is generated?
- Courts must have north – south orientation.
- North – south orientation. Leave enough space between courts to be safe.
- Consider adding the underutilized parking lot at Long Bridge to build an indoor pickleball facility.
- 9 courts is silly. The layout is silly. This doesn't work here.
- Perhaps consider taller (8 ft?) fence.
- Outdoor porta potties need to be fit in somewhere.
- Please no pickleball. Do you know how much of a racket it makes.
- Leave pickleball courts at basketball area. Install light at basketball courts.
- Pickleball is the least expensive to play and can be a life-time sport. No tennis elbow, no pushing like in basketball.
- Keep pickleball courts on the basketball courts.

• PICKLEBALL COURT AMENITIES CONSIDERATIONS

- Nice shade roof.
- Where will they pee at 10:00pm?
- Move porta potty away from courts.
- Please do not get rid of tennis! Please have dedicated hours for pickleball and dedicated hours for tennis.
- The construction of the gondola is my only reason to live. Please build it. #GondolaNow.
- Restrooms would be great.
- Place a water faucet near pickleball courts.
- AED on site accessible. ASAP. Please!
- Stop the noise from impacting the neighboring residents! Please!
- Rest rooms open during play times.
- AED onsite – near the courts now.
- Keep pickleball lines on basketball courts.
- Plenty of seating.
- Should not be single activity courts – what a waste!
- Need lighting, need benches, need shade, need sound abatement.
- Large shade structure that covers area between courts – the space where people waiting to play hang out. Maybe a structure similar to the large shade structure at the Virginia Highlands tennis courts.
- If courts are open why can't the facility be open – especially for toilets.
- Bench seating, restrooms available during playing hours (I think that's typically the case now).

- Although I enjoy play pickleball, I do not want our WRCC to have 9 designated courts. Keep WRCC an enjoyable “neighborhood” center.
- Light for pickleball courts – not tennis court lighting.
- Pickleball courts should have lateral dividers (common in Florida).
- Need plenty of shade, permanent restrooms.
- Please give us back our basketball court. We can never play!
- Basketball court lighting.
- Can we have at least one tennis court?
- Please finish playing by 8:00pm.
- Keep pickleball lines on the basketball court with lights. Put up soundproofing around the courts.
- What’s the system to ensure that only Arlington residents are using these amenities? Who’s paying for theirs? Will there be a membership or way to validate the people using these are actually folks living in Arlington?
- Pickleball hours should be reduced to 8:00am to 8:00pm.
- I want to play tennis.
- What about lighted/blinking cross walks at 14th and 15th at Walter Reed and Glebe for people to walk safely.
- Please move to the porta potty across the parking lot to between the evergreens next to the basketball court. Less visible, less smelly, more private.
- Hours are too long. Starting at 7:00am on the weekends is way too early. I can hear from my house.
- Install sound barriers.
- Water fountains.
- As far as more parking, please don’t take green space away.
- Paint pickleball lines on under-used tennis courts.
- Limit play to reasonable times, keeping in mind heat of summer.
- The signage for clear hours of use, a County contact for all hours, and code of conduct.
- Why can’t DPR and APS work together to use school courts?
- A hose hookup for water so that courts can be power washed.
- Please reduce pickleball hours so other sports can also be played.
- I want to play with my mom to play basketball and tennis.
- A cover over the courts so we can play when it rains.
- Zip code 22204 is diverse, the limits of only pickleball courts there you only care about one demographic, restroom amenities are needed, no porta potty, take pickleball to the north, the kids want basketball, soccer and tennis courts.
- Pickleball is great, but
 - 1) A regional, “pickleball cluster” is too big a scale of recreational activity for a SINGLE SPORT in a residential neighborhood. Why? Excessive: Noise, hours of activity, aggressive crowds in numbers, parking, hygiene and property management, reduction in recreational activities.
 - 2) The purpose of the Walter Reed Recreation Center was to provide a variety of recreational activities for our neighborhood. It was understood that the community center would be on a small scale for the local

- community. This proposed cluster deliberates this neighborhood opportunity.
- 3) Allow pickleball, but limit it to 2 courts. In other words, maintain the diversity of a neighborhood recreation facility. Limit the permitted hours of outdoor operation to those identical to the indoor facility. This...
 - 4) Recommendations. Would insure access to restroom facilities indoors, without the need for unsightly, smelly portable toilets. Limiting hours would also minimize adverse noise impacts on surrounding residences. Especially during morning and evening.
 - 5) Recommendations. Hire and outdoor manager/supervisor for: crowd management, enforce anti-litter and pet was management, to lock gates to outdoor facilities at designated hours (which should be limited to around dusk).
- Security camera.
 - No portable toilets!
 - No portable toilets please!
 - Choose another location with infrastructure present! No portable toilet!
 - We need the seating and shade for the people waiting to play pickleball.
 - Tables and chairs.
 - Please consider adding outdoor restrooms.
 - Post instructions on courts for how kids can play
 - Large shade area and outlets to enable electric fans when needed.
 - Would like more of a nicer park for yoga and meditation.
 - Where will they pee? At 10:00pm?
 - Suggestion: make center toilets available during ALL play hours. Eg Put locking gates up (like USPS does) to let people get to bathroom but not the rest of the center.
 - Arlington must control/enforce night playing limits w/ timed lights with automated court locks.
 - Please no porta potties. Locate courts in a least populated area.
 - The pickleball invasion has not improved my neighborhood, it has trashed the park I raised my kids in. please go somewhere else.
 - The 9 dedicated pickleball courts are badly needed by the hundreds of senior citizens and younger folks.
 - Basketball court upgrade.
 - Please take soundproofing measures. Maybe limit hours of pickleball. Lights at basketball court.
 - No kinder community than pickleball!!! Need more courts!
 - Lights on basketball courts so that pickleball can be played there at night.
 - Can you add an awning while we wait for a final decision? Need more shade on the tennis courts and benches.
 - Pickleball if the best value for exercise in Arlington per square foot per \$.
 - Shade roofs should be on the east – west axis.
 - Keep lines on basketball courts and install lights.

• SOUND REDUCTION CONSIDERATIONS

- Do a sound study.
- We love this idea!
- Leave basketball install lights at basketball. Limit pickleball hours.
- I have been to the mountains and I got there on a gondola! #gondolanow
- Has any thought been given to relocating the project to an industrial area of the County such as Long Bridge?
- Love this! A green, living sound wall! Beautiful!
- I would like a demonstration of any soundproofing to gauge before and after.
- Pickleball is really loud. Feel really badly for the people who live nearby.
- Photo of the sound insulation shows it only goes ½ way up the fence.
- Green wall better than fence wall but both worry me about safety.
- Keep trees. I like this with soundproofing.
- I don't know how much this costs but bushes and wall seems cool.
- Windscreens or noise deadening.
- Sound reduction good – natural barriers (trees/green) or clear barriers (plexiglass) better than acoustic fence (ugly/unnatural looking).
- Put up sound reduction fencing right away. Don't wait for the renovation.
- Less courts will mean less noise. Didn't have to pay Gordon \$140,000 for that. Also presenter said he's on "a learning curve." MORE INTRO NEEDED.
- Put bubble over courts.
- Horizontal sound barriers that are open at the bottom. Criminal legs can be seen.
- Less pickleball courts, less noise! Easiest way to control.
- In order 1) Barrier, 2) Different balls, 3) Different paddles, 4) Restrict hours.
- Create an indoor facility to hold pickleball courts foremost keep noise contained.
- Yes – noise reduction is needed but should be done by experts to design.
- Please conduct an independent, professional sound study and please enforce the noise around the rules.
- Consider a fabric pavilion over the tennis courts to help keep sound from escaping. Estimated cost: >\$300K
- Should limit and enforce hours of play.
- Reduce sound.
- Soundproofing around courts.
- Fewer courts please
- More greenery to block noise.
- Padded paddles.
- Close courts a little earlier and open a bit later. Thank you
- Build up to 20 feet; parking under.
- Where is the impact study?
- Environment
- Sound
- Parking

- Utilization
- Ecosystem
- What does the study say?
- Enclose the courts in a structure
- Year round use
- Eliminates noise
- Build lots of parking
- Study what sound reduction is available. Use it, please
- Please relocated project to Long Branch. Yest!!
- Limit time, dedicated hours, lights off after 10:00pm, people need to go home.
- Noise from courts will be there all day as long hours at night. No more court for basketball. I oppose to the extension of courts.
- Reduce the sound.
- Limit days and hours of play to reduce noise and intrusion. Thank you.
- Basketball court upgrade.
- Enforcement of specific playing hours (people should not be playing at 6-7 am, past 10 pm.
- Currently pickleball sound carries west across the entire green/casual space and across Walter Reed Drive. It affects residents, yes, but also impacts people using park space for other amenities.
- Want of peaceful, quiet park to walk my dog and do yoga! No pickleball.
- Give the residents 2 days off a week!
- Relocated project to Long Bridge (no houses there)
- Want a park – not pickleball. Yes!!
- Basketball court lighting.
- Lower the courts left and sound proof.
- Put limit on time. Concerned that the “good” weather will be even worse.
- Move to commercial zone like Long Bridge Center.
- No 9 pickleball courts. 2 or 3.
- Limit hours to community center hours – to include weekends.
- Accoustiblock fencing on current courts.
- Build a sound barrier/wall.
- Independent sound study needed now!
- Build an indoor facility where the tennis courts are and add more courts.
- Purchase white noise machines for the neighbors on 16th Street.
- Indoor pickleball courts are quieter.
- Can you find wind barrier to tie to the fence that is thick enough to do both? Impede the wind absorb and therefore reduce the sound that is carried beyond the fence.
- I can't have my windows open during nice weather.
- Enforce noise ordinance! Nighttime = 9pm – 7am, M-F, 9pm – 10am, weekends and holidays.
- You don't live here, you hear the noise and ask neighbors why not?
- Lots of courts all over the county will disperse the intensity and load at any give site.

- Build an indoor facility.
- Move the courts away from the houses. Tear up the parking spots. Find a place for 12 courts.
- Less density, less sound pollution for neighbors.

• **TREES AND LANDSCAPING CONSIDERATIONS**

- No lights.
- Keep current trees.
- What does this do about noise? Or parking?
- Green space, trees and perhaps a community garden!
- Save the tree.
- Edible forest!
- Fencing, netting for sound reduction. Lots of trees and bushes around the courts.
- I like the green space.
- Please don't cut down trees! The more trees the better! Shade, oxygen, windbreak, sound barrier!
- Don't get rid of any green space. Not many of us have lawns. This is our only place.
- I enjoy the gardens and the trees. I have lived here in the neighborhood over 20 years. No portable johns.
- Keep current trees.
- Shade! Plant more trees but they are to provide the needed shade soon enough.
- Yes, lots of vegetation is needed to keep park and center desirable to spend time in and at.
- Please no.
- We should be a dark sky community.
- Water friendly trees and plants need to be used to conserve on water and money maintaining park.
- Too many trees would require a lot of work in the fall to clear the leaves. Do at Lubber Run. Shade not necessary.
- I would like for the proposed courts to not exceed current tennis court footprint.
- Leave trees...add soundproofing.
- Preserve or even expand the amount of trees. Green casual space at park is a major draw for people and local residents.
- Do not even think about affecting the WR sensory garden.
- Additional evergreen trees, yeah!
- Create a lush, landscaped area outside the fence, nearest to the large empty space. This would be the entrance/exit to the courts.
- I am in the park area on a daily basis and love the trees along the 16th Street side.
- ADA compliant pathways!
- We live here and love the park because of the trees. Keep it green!
- More dedicated pickleball courts!!!

- Too many trees have already been cut down in the park. Please stop the slaughter.
- Local residents wish to keep open space. Spread pickleball to other courts.
- Will this take away from our open space for yoga or kicking/throwing the ball around with my kid?

• **PARKING, ACCESS AND CIRCULATION CONSIDERATIONS**

- WRCC is not a sports facility.
- 36 pickleball courts are ideal.
- Develop rules and regulations. Sound measures, toiles, shade.
- Long Bridge parking lot?
- There isn't enough parking!
- Consider swapping location parking lot with the courts so parking is near 16th Street, moves the courts further from the houses.
- Gondolas. No cars. Problem solved.
- My mother is in a wheelchair and has difficulty getting into WRCC. How will that be addressed?
- If we have more outdoor courts in the County, these objections would be solved.
- How will parking be able to support 9 pickleball courts and users of WRCC? Not sufficient.
- Why is pickleball allowed to be played at all hours??? Limits need to be made on hours? Who wants to eat dinner at night to noise? Or be woken up?
- Residents don't have access to parking lot when games are on.
- The residents are having their driveways blocked. This can't be pickleball central.
- Please keep this a community center. Not a sports facility.
- Signage needs to be clear of hours, code of conduct, and County rules?
- Locks, exacts hours as the community center.
- Already have limited parking on 16th Street. This will be a disaster.
- Basketball courts upgrade and lighting.
- There is not enough space on this site to expand parking demands. Please don't.
- Don't get rid of basketball court. It's an equity issue for teens!
- Parking will be a problem on streets. It's already getting worse due to pickleball harm.
- Parking is already congested on the street. So where are all the pickleball player cars going to park?
- Pickleball players take up local parking. Create residential parking on the side streets; requesting a sticker.
- How come people from MD or DC can use our Arlington Courts? This is putting pressure on the neighborhood and County? My tax \$.
- We need many more dedicated pickleball courts!!!
- There is already an issue of people parking in front of driveways and fire hydrants. Your overflow parking area isn't helping. This build isn't for our neighborhood. You gave this, now fix it.
- Lived here 10 years plus. Never though we need more parking! Why?

- Kids; no one is talking about access for kids. Basketball is gone.
- Pickleball is the best sport in America!
- Street parking is being demarcated by pickleball players. No room for residents and their visitors.
- This is supposed to be a community center, not a sports facility.
- Dedicated County staff person to come turn off lights and ensure courts are empty by x time (10pm?)
- Enforce County noise ordinances!! How will this be done?
- I have lived in Arlington Village for 23 years. I do not want 9 designated pickleball courts at WRRC. I enjoy playing pickleball. This center should not be a sports arena.
- What are County rules on # of parking spots per capita use at facility? How is parking issues when the come up be addressed.
- Signage and closure for restricted use is needed on courts.
- Is there enough paving to accommodate peak times for 9 pickleball courts?
- Where will people park? Will we get residential parking? Right now we don't have anything like that.
- Parking. Turn street parking into permit zone so residents can park their car on street and not have to hunt for parking.
- 16th Street is NOT designed for heavy traffic.
- Pickleballers are overtaking parking space on Walter Reed Drive and also in the commons of Arlington resident parking lots.
- What parking?!
- There is not sufficient parking to support the level of service at WRCC plus a pickleball cluster.
- No gates by 16th Street South. We don't have enough street parking!
- Need bike racks by courts.
- Bike path away from parking lot.
- Where am I gonna park when I need to use the center? Voting, classes, etc.
- The County could buy the homes across the street, tear them down and build parking.

• **ADDITIONAL/OTHER CONSIDERATIONS**

- Please add lights to the basketball court.
- Put a bubble around it like Gunston Bubble.
- I love your idea thanks!
- This is a community center, not a dedicated sports facility. Selection of this location was via a flawed process.
- Local residents know nothing of these plans. No transparency.
- Need 24/7 full bathrooms if have dedicated facility. Not porta potties!
- Add more pickleball courts.
- No pickleball on basketball courts. Add nests (portable) to have combo basketball and futsal court for the local residents!

- I believe the best location for this would be at Bluemont Park – in the open field close to where the tennis courts are.
- Alternative site. Barcroft; existing courts (tennis – 5), existing bathroom, existing parking. Not that close to residential.
- Partnership with the APS schools to line courts at the schools. 1) will reduce volume of players at Walter Reed. 2) Opportunity for younger kids to play “Little Dinkers(?)”
- Outdoor restrooms
- Why is the County moving forward with a site when no sound/community impact studies have been done?
- Relieve the pressure on WR by encouraging players to use the tennis courts. Paint PB lines. 2 courts per tennis courts and 2 portable nets. It’s cheap.
- Thank you for every minute that TJ has 3 indoor courts.
- Why are the needs of pickleball players being promoted over local residents?
- Totally opposed to making WRCC and park pickleball only and deprive users of other uses of the park (basketball, tennis, quiet)
- Build an indoor facility
- No food trucks please.
- Basketball courts, lighting.
- Basketball courts upgrade.
- Good ideas with the sound reduction strategies. Thank you for meeting demand for a popular sport.
- Why hasn’t a working panel been set up, multi-representatives, neighbors, pickleball players, County park
- Stripe more courts for multi use/pickleball since interest/need is not going away.
- Why are my tax dollars paying for MD and DC players to play in my County? Courts should be for County residents use.
- The neighborhood does not want this. Please consider relocating.
- Keep pickleball stripes on basketball courts and WR (otherwise there’s no new courts)
- Space for food trucks.
- No food trucks please.
- I don’t need a food truck where I live.
- Port a potties not an answer
- Do a sound study!
- Arlington County facilities for Arlington County residents only. We pay the taxes! MD, DC, others need to pay to play in our county!!
- Please share studies of demand for pickleball needs.
- How will WRCC continue to function for existing uses when the dedicated pickleball facility attracts more people?
- Please have more activities for children.

LARGE POST-ITS

- Pair hours with rec center building
- Sound study with experts

- Make Bluemont Park 100% pickleball – 30 courts dedicated
- Did you bother considering the neighbors? This affects them the most
- I see more D.C., Maryland license plate parked. Why?
- Relocate this cluster
- Too close to my house. Don't need more people flocking here. Its already too dense.
- Gondolas? Yes, in my backyard!
- Kenmore Middle has lost of open space that could be pickleball
- Why do PB players have more say than residents??
- Sound study with experts
- Central Library has 5 courts, access to parking, bathrooms away from housing
- Lacey Park has bathrooms. Why not there?
- In addition to current proposal for more courts at WR, add more courts in other locations. Wait times for courts at WR are too long
- I don't want to smell others potty in the spring!
- I live in the neighborhood; I do not want 9 pickleball courts. Keep the sensory garden space for all. This is not a community project.
- Enough courts so that we can have a league play and tournaments
- Locks on the courts
- Tear up the parking lot and move the pickleball courts away from the houses. You can fit 12 courts if you do this.
- Nothing for BIPOC kids? Just taking one group into consideration, so much for EQUITY.
- Move to Long Bridge center
- 36 PB courts area, good dream
- You are not meeting demand. The public space master plan requires you to do so! 36 dedicated courts!
- Engage residents! Be more transparent!
- Do not take away the pickleball on the basketball court! Those are popular courts and do not contribute to the noise problem!
- No porta potties!
- I would actually prefer to play pickleball at Virginia Highlands Park which is closer to my home. The park has numerous tennis courts and 0 pickleball courts. (Sad face) Thanks for your consideration! (Happy face)
- Move pickleball to Long Bridge
- More courts please!
- Offer other places to play PB to ease WR. Improve signage. Advertise using the Rover to tell the day is over
- You must have good signage: with times
- No "Pickleball Central" @ WRCC
- Lighting for basketball court
- Problem: high demand, insufficient supply, add more courts elsewhere in addition to WR to reduce overcrowding here
- Having multiple pickleball courts throughout the County will reduce the concentration in this one area. We need more courts

- Other courts should be considered in Arlington, not just Walter Reed
- Signs – how long a group can play before moving off the court
- Paint PB lines on the tennis courts at Bon Air Park, Ft Scott and other underused tennis courts
- More locations for pickleball play
- Basketball court lighting
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- Please do not add more courts. Focus on reducing sound. Change hours to be considerate of neighbors. Thank you!
- Why are a majority of courts in this County at this location? ~50% are at Walter Reed
- Plenty of space @ Long Bridge!
- What's the plan to monitor residents' safety? There has been an uptick in local shootings. I live directly across the street from the building + my husband's car was stolen from directly in front of our house in the middle of the night last April (2021). There has been an uptick in car jacking recently. What preventative measures are being taken to ensure residents' safety while you build something that's going to draw more people here?
- Won't somebody PLEASE think of the children! #GONDOLA NOW
- Please keep some of the tennis courts at WR and post hours to play
- Do everything in your power to involve the surrounding community. They feel shut out of the process.
- Strongly support project here at WR – big demand + space is available. Some sort of barrier between courts would be helpful
- Please don't increase the # of courts. The noise is untenable – 15 hours a day, 7 days a week, 365 days/yr
- More dedicate courts in non-residential area like by the central library
- An enclosed dog area would be “killer”!
- Please add lights to the basketball court!
- What other site locations to be considered? Where was public hearing meeting on selection of location?
- I love your ideas thanks!
- Why hasn't the impact study been released to the public? Environment, noise, Neighborhood, carbon footprint impact, etc.
- Who says more courts are needed? Where is the study? How many courts in Arlington needed and how many does it have now?
- 9 courts pose a huge safety concern. Compress the playing surface and people will be running into other courts and each other
- Why is ARL Cty expanding PB when other jurisdictions contracting?? E.g. Vienna
- 100 soccer fields and you can't find one of them to turn into pickleball?
- As a resident I support the idea of finding a different location where houses are not disturbed

- Current facilities are overcrowded. There is high demand and the county is not meeting the needs.
- Can we build a facility in Aurora Hills? Virginia Highlands? Bluemont Park? Long Bridge!
- 9 dedicated pickleball courts and no one is talking about the community access and sports for KIDS!
- Long Bridge
- Limit pickleball hours at tennis courts. Lights at basketball.
- You are not meeting demand. You should.
- I still want to play tennis!
- This is the County's fault for not planning
- Consider Barcroft Park for pickleball. Take over their 2 tennis courts and basketball court. Parking, bathrooms and no neighbors.
- Limit hours like Vienna did!
- Think about sites like Minor Hill that are not on the list of possible locations.
- Hoffman Boston school has a roof leak and this is how you want to spend our tax dollars
- I can't hear my boss during zoom meeting inside my house!!
- Reduce hours of play
- All courts should be multi-use, sound barriers, line courts at TJ, kids must not be bullied. Line Barcroft
- Please build these somewhere else. Somewhere further away from where people live
- I want to play tennis in the summer
- Please LIMIT pickleball hours. Please give us back our basketball court and please keep tennis. Douglas Park mom of 8 yo boy
- We need more outdoor courts in the county. This it won't be an issue
- Please add more programs for kids. Basketball and tennis lessons
- Use large windscreens for sound attenuation!
- Put a bubble around it like Gunston Bubble
- Remove portable potty!
- Move it to Long Bridge
- WRCC is NOT a sports facility! Neighborhood cannot support this
- Land at site of Febrey-Lathrop House on Wilson Blvd. Would have added recreational space to Arlington, perfect for pickleball courts!
- Lock the gates to pickleball. Even dog parks have electronic locks.
- Add water fountain
- When redoing this project, please expand the playground
- I can't have my windows open during nice weather
- Enforce noise ordinance! Nighttime = 9p-7a M-F. 9p-10a weekends and holidays
- Sound mitigation ideas need to come from EXPERTS NOT the public

- Lots of courts all over the county will disperse the intensity and load at any given site
- You don't live here, you don't hear the noise and ask neighbors why not?
- Less density less sound pollution for neighbors
- Build an indoor facility
- Move the courts away from the houses. Tear up the parking spots and find a place for 12 courts
- Has anyone bothered to actually monitor the sound over the several hours over several days? @ the busiest time

Unclear post its

Where would they park + pee?

Consider abandoning this project and creating a pickleball-focused location at Barcroft Park! It's underutilized and most of the park is farther away from housing.

Line BB courts with lights

I would like to see pickleball grow throughout Arlington. I think the rest of the area will be looking at how DPR works with the community to resolve community concerns. The present matters and how it is handled will influence other communities' opinions to pickleball.

Consider cutting off play by 8 pm. (but then how would that be controlled, put lock on gates)?? Or use same system as in dog parks.

Add courts at Long Bridge before construction begins at WR. More courts are needed in general and Long Bridge is along a freeway which will cover the pickleball noise

Will the 9 dedicated courts utilize more space than is currently allotted for 6? They shouldn't be much closer together than they are now.

9 courts may be too many. How much space between 6' and behind 9' courts? Enough space for people, traffic flow? Rotate courts 90 degrees, N.S.

1. If sound mitigation mechanics are additive, stack them, masonry + acoustifence + plants. 2. Consider requiring low noise paddle and balls

Raise the entire court 15-20' and eliminate parking front of community center. Make parking under courts and expand park

Because of pickleball, the only time we can play basketball is when its bad weather or twilight because pickleballers are always there! Sad face