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Dear Mayor Hicks and all the honorable members of the City Council,

I have been a proud resident of Mountain View since 1971. To many visitors, I boast about the progressive and forward thinking character of our city. Not least, as a lifelong tennis player, I take pride in the Cuesta Park tennis complex, a public facility as good as any private ones in the country. Over 4 years ago, I reached age 80 and with reduced mobility, I gravitated and immediately took to pickleball. I can understand why this is the fastest growing sport in America. Any age group, any gender and mixed gender and any athletic skill level can play and have a great time. Indeed, any observer can see the popularity of this sport by visiting the experimental trial courts at Rengstorff every morning, except Saturday when tennis has priority.

In considering the capital allocation for a permanent pickleball complex, I hope the city leaders would anticipate the growing popularity of pickleball and set aside enough funds to build a complex comparable to Cuesta tennis. In fact, by putting pickleball next to tennis, it would make Cuesta Park a magnet for family participation to learn, play and compete.

Thank you for your attention on this matter.

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