



Rennebohm Park Tennis Courts Reconstruction Meeting:

Summary of Questions / Comments (including those received in advance of 3-10-2022 meeting)

- 1) How was the timing for the project determined? *Parks staff, including our athletic & courts scheduler and operations staff together with planning & development, wanted to provide as much play in the 2022 season at the full set of 6 courts (west and east) as possible in light of the diminished capacity that frequent users and those offering lessons and league play (MSCR, USTA) experienced during the previous 2020 and 2021 seasons due to the COVID pandemic. It is a tricky balance because paving projects also need to occur in the same "season" as courts are most in demand for play! By waiting until the later part of the summer to start the project, the majority of lessons, day-camps and leagues will be able to offer their full schedule this summer but the courts will also be paved & striped (likely to be blacktop court w/ stripes at the completion in 2022 – with color coming in May 2023).*
- 2) Could you describe a bit more about the reason the courts will be blacktop to start and then receive color later? *The "sport court" surfacing (green color) requires application on cured asphalt AND a mean daytime and overnight temperature of 50 degrees – since asphalt takes about 30 days to fully cure following installation and is anticipated to be installed in September, we are unlikely to have the daytime and overnight temperature required in October to apply the green/sport court surface and will wait on that piece until 2023 to ensure a good color job (no bubbles!)*
- 3) How long will the project take? *The project is anticipated to take about 4 months from demolition (by Parks Construction staff) of the existing courts until installation of the asphalt pavement and striping*
- 4) Will all of the courts be unavailable to play on at the same time? *The west set (3 courts) will be the only set unavailable during the project happening in 2022 – likewise the east set (3 courts) will be the only unavailable set during the project anticipated in 2024.*
- 5) Are alternate construction methods being considered (ex. concrete vs asphalt or use of an overlay / mat product)? *Generally, no – Parks has successfully rebuilt tennis courts at several other locations using asphalt pavement (and compacted gravel base) and for the budget available, asphalt sport court construction is the industry standard. Important to remember that the asphalt courts at Rennebohm lasted for nearly 4 decades before they really started to decline.*
- 6) Will the reconstruction include painting pickleball lines? Any concerns with conflicts between user groups or noise from pickleball play so close to the apartments? *Parks receives **many** requests for more pickleball within the system – and providing dual striping at existing tennis facilities is a way to inexpensively expand options for play of this very popular activity. As such, all of the tennis courts within the system have been receiving dual-striping with maintenance projects or rebuilds (note: Quann Park tennis is the exception) and the courts at Rennebohm are proposed to receive dual striping (pickleball lines in blue and tennis lines in white) with the reconstruction projects. Since the west set will receive pickleball lines first with the project in 2022 – Parks will have the opportunity to see how adding pickleball play at this location progresses and make any necessary adjustments prior to the work on the east set in 2024.*
- 7) Will the lights be replaced with each project or altogether? *The lights are proposed to be replaced with the reconstruction work on the east set in 2024. Replacing the standards on the west side with higher-power and more efficient LEDs together with adding this type of lighting to the east side is included in the larger budget proposal in 2024. The work on the west set will be*

exclusive of the lights – meaning they will remain in place and available for use following completion of the project.

Not seeing your question answered here or have other arisen since the meeting?

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