

AGENDA  
MONONA PARK AND RECREATION BOARD  
Wednesday November 9, 2022 6:30 PM  
Monona Library Forum Room  
1000 Nichols Rd, Monona WI 53716

1. **Roll Call**
2. **Approval of Minutes – October 11, 2022**
3. **Appearances**
  - A.
4. **Unfinished Business**
  - A. None
5. **New Business**
  - A. Public Input for Use of Winnequah Park Tennis/Pickleball Courts
6. **Director’s Report & Questions to Staff from Committee**
  - A. Jake Anderson – Parks & Recreation Director
7. **Updates/Discussion on Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (DEI) Efforts**
8. **Updates/Discussion on San Damiano Steering Committee & Friends of San Damiano**
9. **Adjournment**

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**MINUTES**  
**MONONA PARK AND RECREATION BOARD**  
City Hall Conference Room  
**Tuesday October 11, 2022**

The regular meeting of the Park and Recreation Board for the City of Monona was called to order by Chair Alder Doug Wood at 6:34 pm.

**Roll Call**

**Present:** Chair Alder Doug Wood, Co-Chair Patrick DePula, Jeff Hinz, Rachel Groman, Thom Evans, Tony Gomez-Phillips, Parks & Recreation Director Jake Anderson

**Absent:** Jennifer Kahl, Kelly Slack, Pat Howell

**Approval of the Minutes**

**Patrick DePula made a motion seconded by Jeff Hinz to approve the September 13 minutes. Motion Carried.**

**Appearances**

**A. Kristie Goforth – Monona Dog Park Improvement Requests**

Ms. Goforth appeared via zoom to request improvements to the Monona Dog Park including etiquette signage, and a rock for dogs to relieve themselves on.

**Unfinished Business**

**A. ADA Transition Plan Discussion/Recommendation**

Committee members presented their findings of the ADA transition plan from various parks that were visited after the last meeting. Director Anderson presented proposed priority rankings and years proposed for compliance. The committee was supportive of these recommendations

**Patrick Depula made a motion seconded by Jeff Hinz to recommend the ADA Transition Plan with implementation schedule to Monona City Council. Motion Carried.**

**New Business**

**A. Winnequah Park Tennis/Pickleball Court Usage Discussion**

Director Anderson gave a brief report on a survey that will be sent out to residents/users of the Winnequah Park Tennis/Pickleball Courts to get input on future policies/time frames due to challenges of amount of people using courts for pickleball only. Anderson noted there would be a public input hearing on Wednesday November 9<sup>th</sup> and any recommendations on policy would happen at the December or January Parks Board meeting. No action was taken at this meeting.

**Director's Report & Questions to Staff from Committee**

A. Jake Anderson – Parks & Recreation Director.

**Updates/Discussion on Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (DEI) Efforts**

None

**Friends of San Damiano/Steering Committee Reports**

None

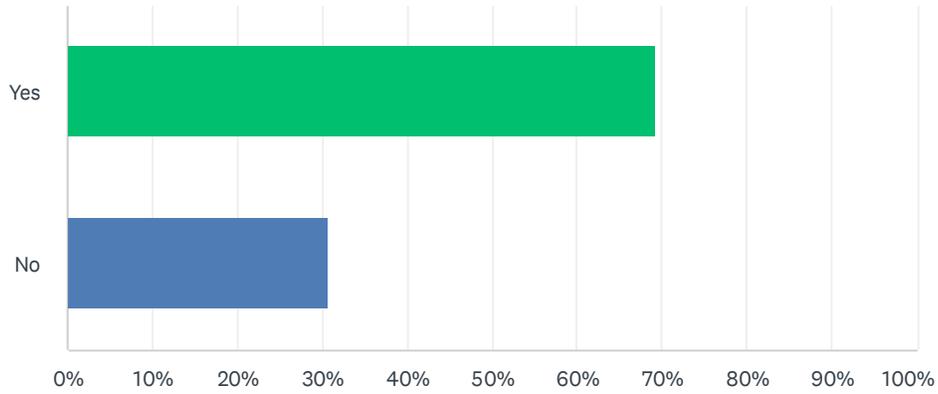
**Adjournment**

**A motion to adjourn by Tony Gomez-Phillips seconded by Patrick DePula was carried at 8:34 pm.**

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## Q1 Do you reside in Monona?

Answered: 355 Skipped: 0



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	69.30%	246
No	30.70%	109
TOTAL		355

## Q2 If no, where do you reside?

Answered: 109 Skipped: 246

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	Not Applicable	11/4/2022 3:08 PM
2	MADISON	11/1/2022 8:08 AM
3	Middleton	10/30/2022 7:59 PM
4	Watertown	10/28/2022 11:25 AM
5	Almost.....very close. Madison. Got married at Monona Community Center. Daughter on Monona dive team. Took kids to pool for years.	10/27/2022 5:50 PM
6	Madison	10/27/2022 8:30 AM
7	Madison	10/26/2022 5:30 AM
8	Fitchburg	10/25/2022 10:27 PM
9	Near east side of Madison	10/25/2022 7:49 PM
10	northside madison	10/25/2022 6:32 PM
11	Madison	10/24/2022 8:01 PM
12	Madison	10/24/2022 7:35 PM
13	City of Madison	10/22/2022 5:23 PM
14	Madison	10/22/2022 8:28 AM
15	McFarland We raised our family in Monona and lived in the city for over 25 years. Both our kids worked for Monona Community Rec Dept. Our son is a home owner in Monona.	10/21/2022 8:50 PM
16	On the other side of Lake Monona, in Madison.	10/21/2022 8:34 AM
17	Madison	10/20/2022 7:57 PM
18	Madison	10/20/2022 7:35 PM
19	McFarland	10/20/2022 6:55 PM
20	McFarland	10/20/2022 9:11 AM
21	Madison, WI by the Pinney Library	10/20/2022 9:05 AM
22	Madison	10/20/2022 8:25 AM
23	Madison	10/20/2022 8:23 AM
24	Near Olbrich Park just outside Monona border.	10/20/2022 8:17 AM
25	Madison	10/20/2022 8:15 AM
26	Nearby in Madison	10/20/2022 8:01 AM
27	Madison	10/20/2022 7:47 AM
28	Sun prairie	10/20/2022 7:21 AM
29	Madison	10/20/2022 6:49 AM
30	Madison	10/20/2022 6:48 AM
31	McFarland	10/19/2022 9:39 PM

## Winnequah Park Tennis/Pickleball Facility Use Survey

32	Madison	10/19/2022 8:55 PM
33	East side of Madison, off of Cottage Grove Road.	10/19/2022 8:54 PM
34	Madison	10/19/2022 8:25 PM
35	Madison - Dane Cty	10/19/2022 8:14 PM
36	McFarland	10/19/2022 7:47 PM
37	Madison	10/19/2022 7:14 PM
38	Cottage Grove	10/19/2022 7:09 PM
39	Monticello WI	10/19/2022 5:46 PM
40	Waunona Way = 1 block from Monona	10/19/2022 5:17 PM
41	East Side of Madison just off Cottage Grove Road	10/19/2022 5:09 PM
42	Madison-East side	10/19/2022 4:55 PM
43	Madison	10/19/2022 4:51 PM
44	Madison	10/19/2022 4:20 PM
45	1924 Tarragon Dr.Madison, WI 53716 I have lived on the East Side since 1974 and for several years at 506 Falcon Circle, Monona	10/19/2022 4:19 PM
46	Madison	10/19/2022 4:08 PM
47	Madison	10/19/2022 4:01 PM
48	Madison	10/19/2022 3:55 PM
49	East side of Madison	10/19/2022 3:49 PM
50	Madison	10/19/2022 3:45 PM
51	Madison	10/19/2022 3:23 PM
52	Madison	10/19/2022 3:21 PM
53	McFarland	10/19/2022 3:21 PM
54	Middleton	10/19/2022 3:12 PM
55	McFarland	10/19/2022 3:00 PM
56	East side Madison	10/19/2022 2:44 PM
57	cottage grove	10/19/2022 2:31 PM
58	Madison	10/19/2022 2:24 PM
59	Fitchburg. However I lived in Monona previously for many years. We raised our family in Monona.	10/19/2022 2:19 PM
60	Just over the border in madison	10/19/2022 2:14 PM
61	McFarland	10/19/2022 1:55 PM
62	Madison	10/19/2022 1:45 PM
63	Cottage Grove	10/19/2022 1:42 PM
64	East side of Madison	10/19/2022 1:41 PM
65	east side of Madison	10/19/2022 1:36 PM
66	Madison	10/19/2022 1:34 PM
67	53716 zip code Madison	10/19/2022 1:15 PM
68	East side of Madison	10/19/2022 1:13 PM

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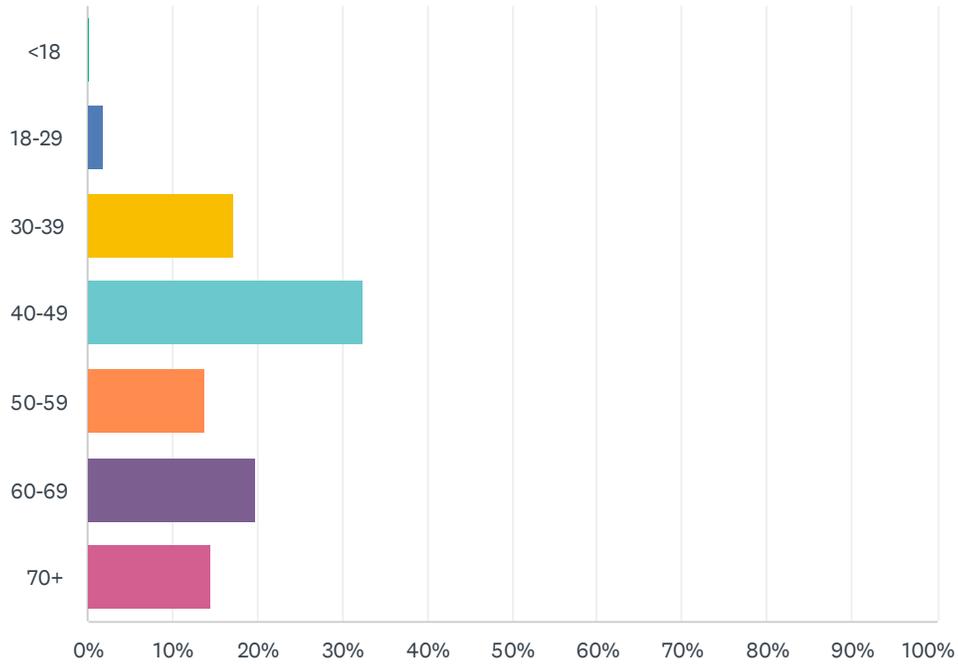
69	McFarland	10/19/2022 1:07 PM
70	Madison	10/19/2022 1:06 PM
71	Cottage Grove	10/19/2022 12:58 PM
72	Madison, east side near Olbrich Park.	10/19/2022 12:56 PM
73	Woods Edge Way 53711	10/19/2022 12:49 PM
74	Cottage Grove	10/19/2022 12:45 PM
75	East Madison - Winnebago and First	10/19/2022 12:38 PM
76	Madison	10/19/2022 12:35 PM
77	Blooming Grove Township.	10/19/2022 12:34 PM
78	Madison, on Waunona Way	10/19/2022 12:20 PM
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80	McFarland	10/19/2022 12:14 PM
81	Cottage Grove	10/19/2022 12:06 PM
82	Madison	10/19/2022 12:05 PM
83	Madison Wisconsin	10/19/2022 12:02 PM
84	Madison	10/19/2022 11:58 AM
85	Madison	10/19/2022 11:57 AM
86	Madison	10/19/2022 11:56 AM
87	McFarland	10/19/2022 11:47 AM
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90	Sun Prairie	10/19/2022 11:41 AM
91	Madison	10/19/2022 11:30 AM
92	Off Buckeye Road	10/19/2022 11:27 AM
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99	Fitchburg	10/19/2022 10:29 AM
100	Madison	10/19/2022 10:21 AM
101	Madison East	10/19/2022 10:20 AM
102	Madison, but own property in Monona. Kids go to MG schools	10/19/2022 10:18 AM
103	Madison	10/19/2022 10:16 AM
104	Madison	10/19/2022 10:16 AM
105	Madison	10/19/2022 10:14 AM
106	Madison	10/19/2022 10:14 AM

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107	Cottage Grove	10/19/2022 10:11 AM
108	Cottage Grove	10/19/2022 10:09 AM
109	McFarland	10/19/2022 10:03 AM

### Q3 What is your age?

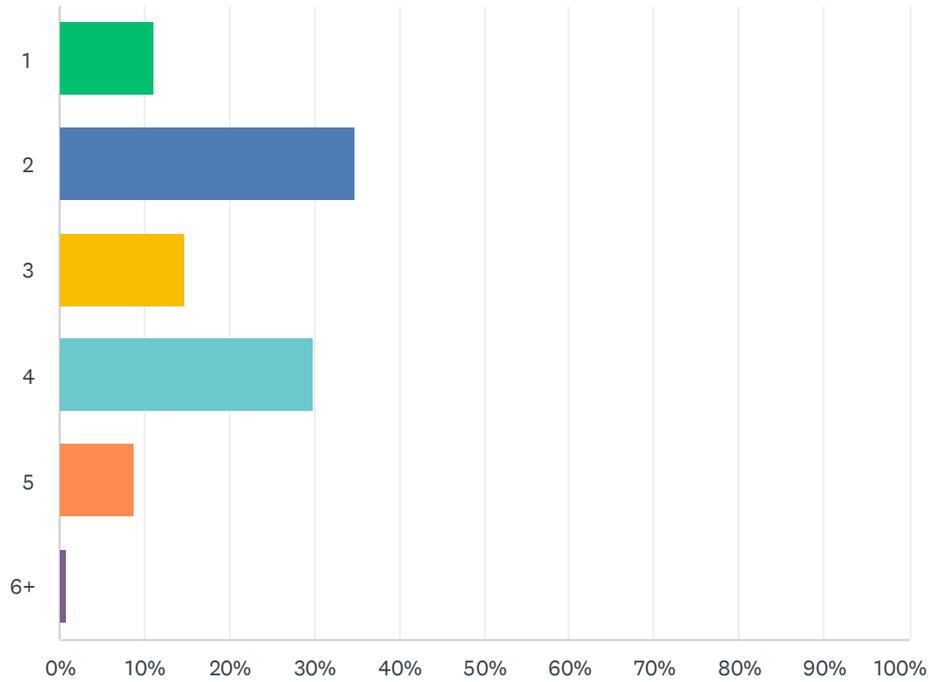
Answered: 354 Skipped: 1



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
<18	0.28% 1
18-29	1.98% 7
30-39	17.23% 61
40-49	32.49% 115
50-59	13.84% 49
60-69	19.77% 70
70+	14.41% 51
TOTAL	354

## Q4 How many people (including yourself) reside in your household?

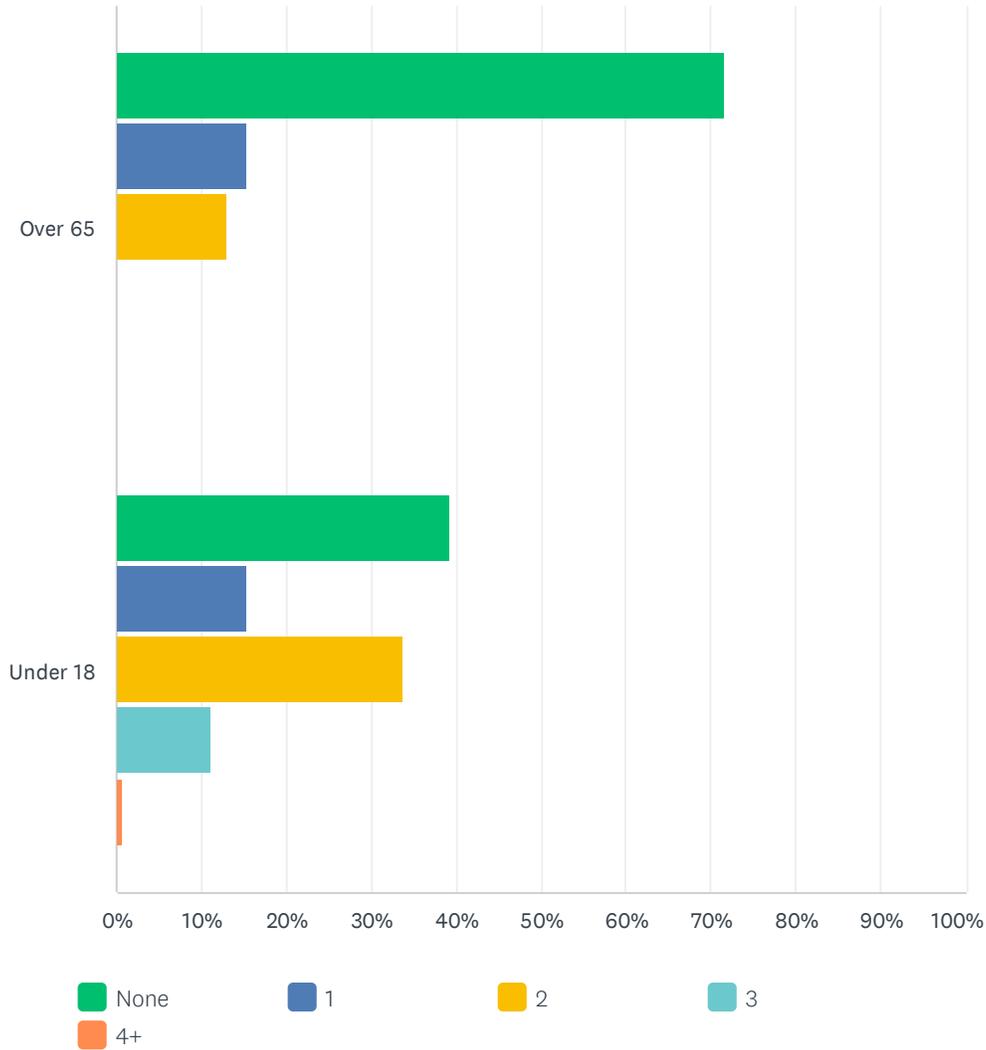
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
1	11.05%	39
2	34.84%	123
3	14.73%	52
4	29.75%	105
5	8.78%	31
6+	0.85%	3
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>353</b>

### Q5 Are there individuals in your household that are:

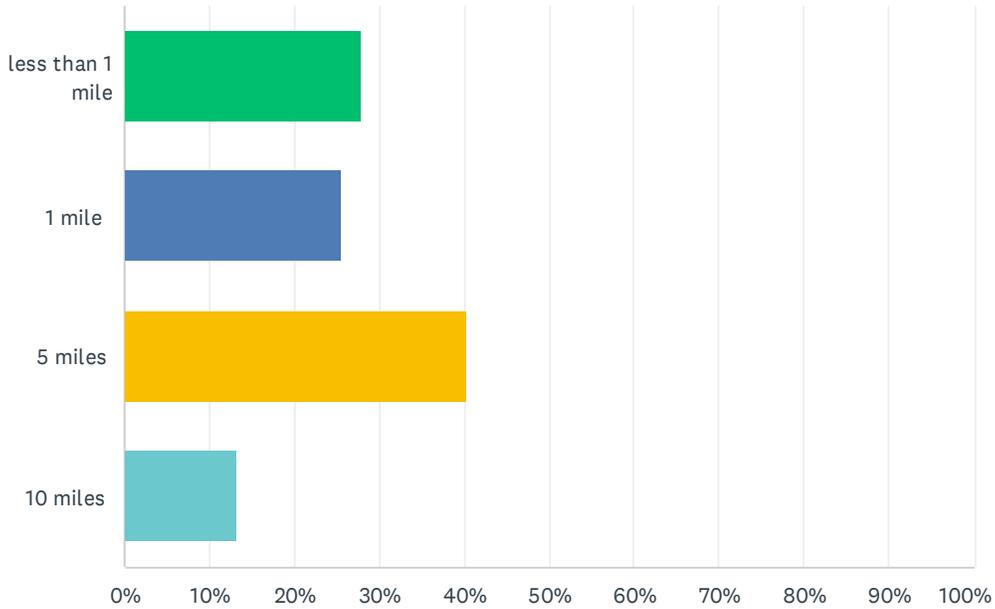
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	NONE	1	2	3	4+	TOTAL
Over 65	71.69% 238	15.36% 51	12.95% 43	0.00% 0	0.00% 0	332
Under 18	39.33% 118	15.33% 46	33.67% 101	11.00% 33	0.67% 2	300

## Q6 How far are you willing to travel to find a tennis court to play on?

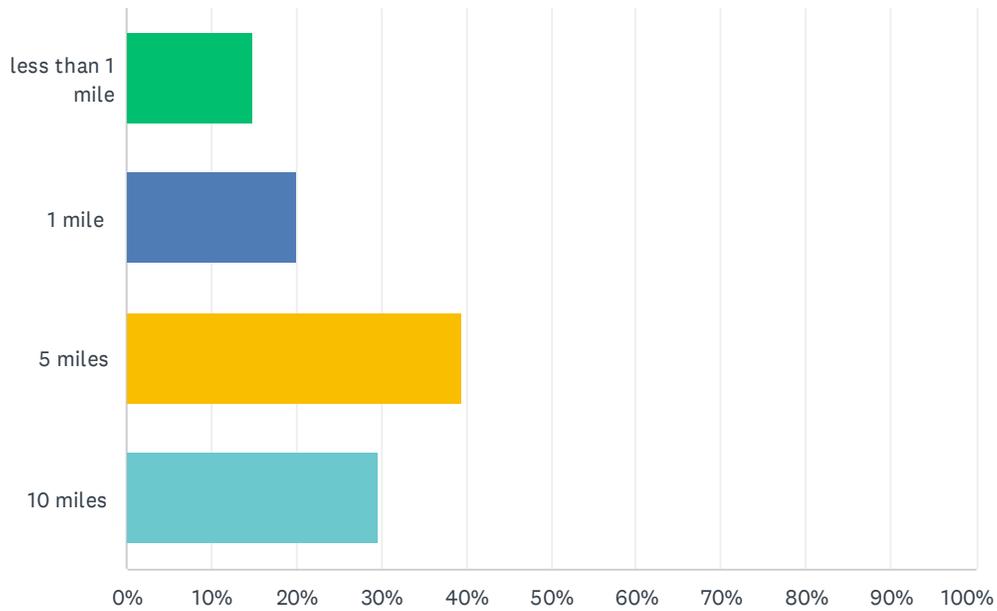
Answered: 308 Skipped: 47



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
less than 1 mile	27.92% 86
1 mile	25.65% 79
5 miles	40.26% 124
10 miles	13.31% 41
Total Respondents: 308	

### Q7 How far are you willing to travel to find a pickleball court to play on?

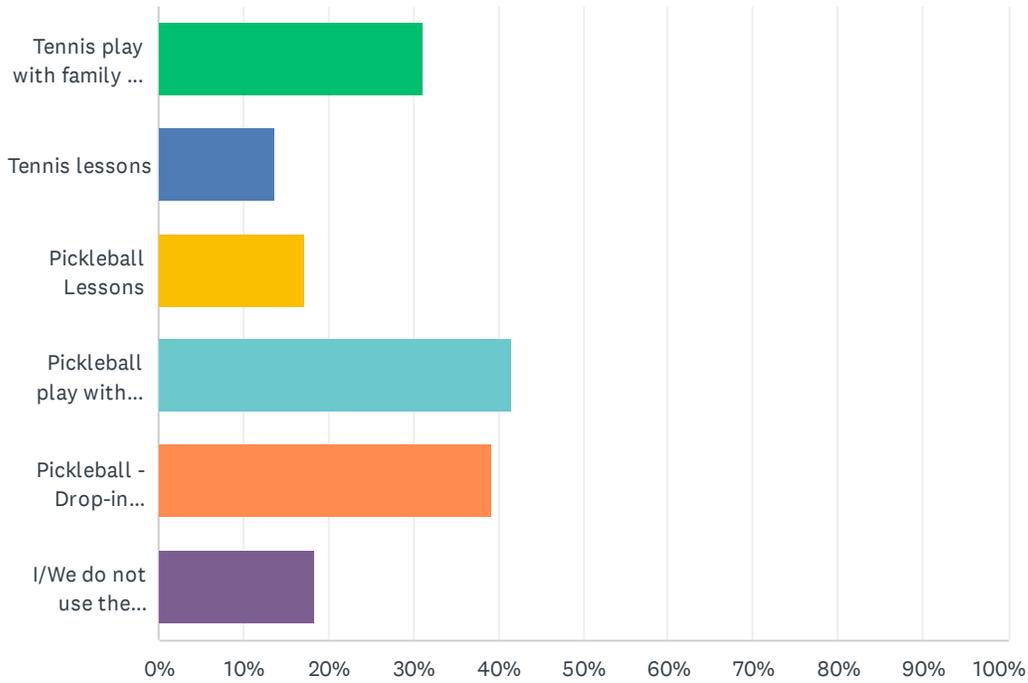
Answered: 334 Skipped: 21



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
less than 1 mile	14.97% 50
1 mile	20.06% 67
5 miles	39.52% 132
10 miles	29.64% 99
Total Respondents: 334	

## Q8 How do you or your household currently utilize Winnequah Park Courts? Check all that apply

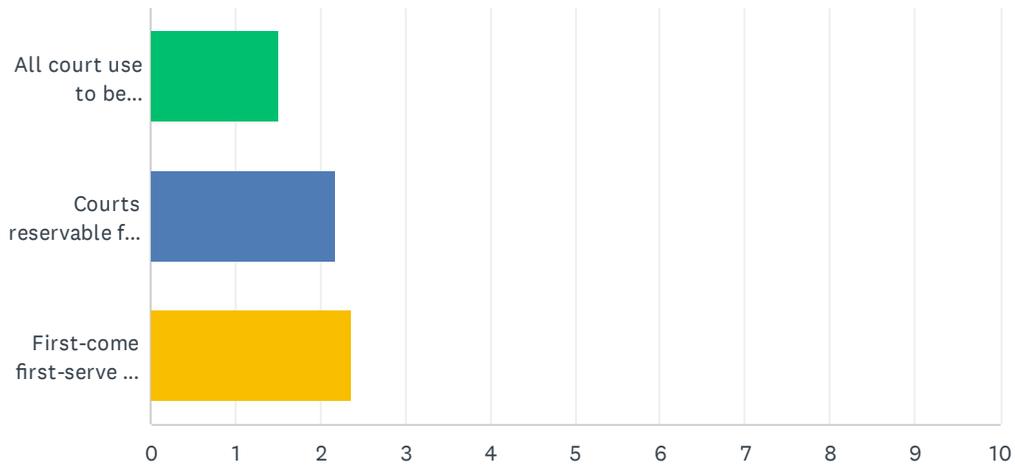
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Tennis play with family or friends	31.07%	110
Tennis lessons	13.56%	48
Pickleball Lessons	17.23%	61
Pickleball play with family or friends meaning no organized league play. Not mixing with other pickleball players	41.53%	147
Pickleball - Drop-in play/league play/rotating in with an existing group of players on the courts	39.27%	139
I/We do not use the Winnequah Courts	18.36%	65
Total Respondents: 354		

## Q9 How would you like to see court time designated? 1 = most desired

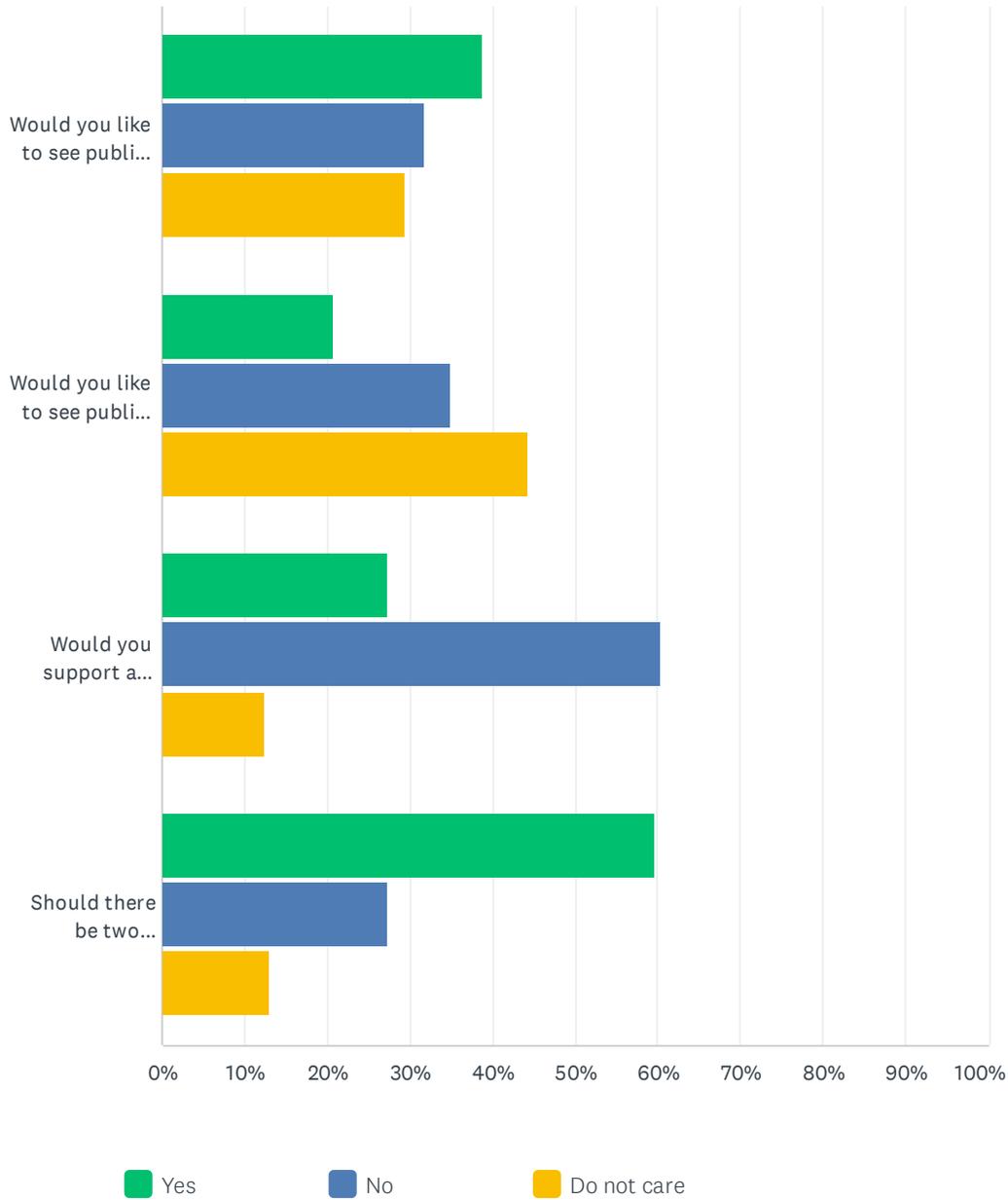
Answered: 337 Skipped: 18



	1	2	3	TOTAL	SCORE
All court use to be reservation only	13.53% 41	25.08% 76	61.39% 186	303	1.52
Courts reservable for a fee and first-come first-serve for no fee	36.66% 114	45.02% 140	18.33% 57	311	2.18
First-come first-serve use only with 60-minute play cap. No reservations can be made	54.66% 176	26.71% 86	18.63% 60	322	2.36

### Q10 Please answer the following priorities on court use and reservation policies

Answered: 354 Skipped: 1



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	YES	NO	DO NOT CARE	TOTAL
Would you like to see public pickleball only play times scheduled?	38.86% 136	31.71% 111	29.43% 103	350
Would you like to see public tennis only play times scheduled?	20.69% 72	35.06% 122	44.25% 154	348
Would you support a fee-based reservation system for court use? Current fee structure is \$10/court for 2 hours.	27.25% 94	60.29% 208	12.46% 43	345
Should there be two pickleball nets or 1 tennis court always available for open play? Meaning, if a large group is using all courts without a reservation and have been playing for over an hour, they should surrender courts to new players arriving?	59.71% 206	27.25% 94	13.04% 45	345

## Q11 Please share any additional comments regarding your experience using the Winnequah Park Courts

Answered: 183 Skipped: 172

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	My name is David Smithson and I have been a resident of Monona for 44 years. I have played drop in tennis at Ahuska for over 10 years. I have been playing pickleball at Winnequah courts for over a year. I have not done any family or friends play and go there in the hopes of finding unrelated individuals willing to play, just as the drop in at Ahuska which was going on at the time that I joined them over 10 years ago. In the time that I have been playing pickleball at Winnequah Courts, I have never seen a conflict with any others as all players are accepted and invited to play without discrimination for ability or experience. All have always been welcome and accepted, just as at Ahuska tennis drop in. I am aware of approximately 25-30 persons living in Monona who drop in for pickleball play as I do. I have previously made recommendations to Parks and Recreation that a city of the size of Monona with such a large number of new apartments and residents should invest in additional facilities. My suggestions were rebuffed without consideration. I would finally like to note that there is no group that I have seen playing at Winnequah courts--only individuals looking to find other people to play. Many other courts that I have played on in Arizona and Wisconsin function on this same drop in basis where courts are used for one game and then turned over to the next people waiting. In my experience, this has worked flawlessly at Winnequah	11/4/2022 3:10 PM
2	Don't want to pay for public courts. Access to free courts is important to all. Reservations is fine if things get busy.	11/2/2022 5:11 PM
3	If the city wants to charge for pickleball play then all use of related facilities use should equally be fee driven. Pay for play at the pool courts, skate park and at Ahuska. This should apply to all users. If fees are to be paid then Monona needs to do more maintenance at the facilities. My taxes already go towards all facilities!	11/1/2022 4:11 PM
4	I started playing PB in May with lessons through Monona and have continued when I could to play during ongoing play Tuesday nights when it was offered. I was glad they had lessons as I had wanted to learn to play. A couple people/friends in monona had previously told me to drop in on the courts in the mornings to play so I started in July and for me it has been great to meet people and play even though I was a beginner. People were friendly and welcoming and I love being able to show up whenever and be able to play with all levels. There are some people who go early and some drop in later so it's different people. It allows me to get exercise and be social. I do love to play with whomever through monona ongoing lessons and just pick up play at the courts and with friends and family as well. I do hope that I will still have the opportunity to show up in Monona and play with others without having to find people to play with all the time since it is so close and for me has been a great experience!	11/1/2022 12:32 PM
5	Pickleball was one good thing that came out of the 2020 pandemic for seniors so sad to see Monona wanting to charge for court time.	10/31/2022 11:30 PM
6	The survey fails to answer the question...Is there any issues you've experienced with shared use of the courts at Winnequah. The limited responses lack alternatives that could create more play for everyone in our community.	10/31/2022 3:26 PM
7	The pickle ball courts have been an important part of my fitness routine in retirement. The system in place, first come, first serve with substitution after one match or two works very well. I would not change anything.	10/30/2022 7:59 PM
8	Would recommend a separate pickle ball court outdoor facility. Verona, Oregon and other communities are building/have built.	10/30/2022 7:05 PM
9	I do not think we should be charged to use for group gathering to play pickleball.	10/28/2022 3:17 PM
10	This is an high interest selection for the time being. The interest in pickle ball is much higher and I should think eventually even out. Though maybe not and the reservation system may be	10/28/2022 11:25 AM

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needed to have more courts used for pickleball than tennis. Could be a Boomer thing that will last more years into future. And tennis court use will decline.

11	<p>For #9, I didn't find any option that's good. Choose second "first come first serve, no fee because that's what public facilities are for and because I have rarely, rarely ever seen a tennis player show up there. As a former tennis player anyways --our custom is to go to a court. If filled we drive to the next. You CANNOT do that with a whole large group of drop-in PB players. For #10 also problematic choices. It certainly wouldn't hurt to say mornings till 11 pickleball. Reason: Those 4 courts created with the roll away nets, rotate in and out far far far more players in a 2-3 hour time span than tennis ever could. The final question is problematic because tennis games do go an hour or so. Open drop-in play pickleball with as many people as there are here currently in mornings (when Monona doesn't have scheduled lessons) and elsewhere in the country could NEVER be over in one hour. You play 10, 15, or 20 minutes depending, and then you're out. You wait a bit and then rotate in. A one hour limit would give so little time to play. It would force the whole pickleball drop in play to go somewhere else. Fundamentally tennis and PB are different. I cannot go to a tennis court with my racket and expect the two people playing to leave or to rotate me in.</p>	10/27/2022 5:50 PM
12	<p>Tough survey questions! I wish there had been more options as these options all lead toward your desired outcome—charging people to use park facilities which we already support through our property taxes. Please don't target the pickle ball community. We just want to play, I have an option to stay fit, and connect with others in our public parks. This is groups of friends getting together to play pickleball. It's not a for profit business it's also not a non profit business either. It's unfair that Jake is targeting us and feels vindictive over one conflict that happened ONE TIME. Please let it go Jake. I know your ego is fragile and you want badly to teach us a lesson but that's your personal issue, not the city. Let it go.</p>	10/27/2022 9:34 AM
13	<p>The open play for Pickleball has always been a great group and have made many improvements for all</p>	10/27/2022 8:30 AM
14	<p>Finally someone is using the courts during the day, they were always empty. It is wonderful that anyone can walk over and join in and play Pickelball with people they don't know, with varied skill levels. You would think Monona would want to encourage open play. I don't want another Monona tax! (Nice remodel I was taxed for at the Yacht Club which I am not a member.)</p>	10/26/2022 1:06 PM
15	<p>I commend Monona for providing quality courts for public recreation which has attracted over one hundred drop-in pickleball players who meet, greet and compete with each other in a friendly, inclusive environment. Male and female, young and old play together, but mostly we are seniors who ae striving to stay healthy in body, mind, and spirit as long as possible so the younger generation doesn't have to take care of us. Thank you, Monona, for your partnership in promoting people's health and wellness through Recreation. You're doing so much good. Why mess with success?</p>	10/26/2022 5:30 AM
16	<p>I've played Winnequah 3x this year. I play other locations at other times. The am pickleball players are knitted together by social connections and the willingness of a few extraordinary people who invest the time to send out emails. And to improve the pickleball playing experience. They are largely respected elders; most of the players are of a certain age. I began playing with this crowd after chatting with players through the fence after finishing a swim. I was welcomed to play; no restrictions were placed on participation as a consequence of experience or competence. Just come and play and be kindly. I've attended a few other social functions offered by players. A welcoming and inviting crowd with no bylaws, membership requirements or other constrictions. I have heard that Parks and Rec has directed that a contract for usage be signed. I'm not sure who would sign it as this is an amorphous congregation that ebbs and flows. Some play more consistently than others. And when the Monona courts are reserved for tennis or other activities; folks respond to emails suggesting other locations. I often am asked where I've been playing when I return to the courts after an absence. They are dedicated pickleball courts in the area; no competition for space with tennis. The only gathering that approximates Monona is in Oregon in the evening. &amp; they're will be launching dedicated courts next year. I think Monona Rec is about to price the courts into ghost town status. Which would be sad. I realize that the need for income producing activity has increased with the purchase of the wonderful San Damiano property. I'd rather pay admission there. I got this off the Parks and Rec website: "Our mission is to enhance the quality of life for all those who live in our great City and surrounding areas." I'm from a surrounding area and appreciate the opportunity for socialization with peers my age combined with exercise. But I've yet to pay for use of an outdoor municipal pickleball court and would</p>	10/25/2022 10:27 PM

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likely go elsewhere if the cost was more than minimal. I would further note that I've spent more money in Monona area businesses when I'm engaged in recreation in Monona than when I am not. Drawing folks to your community is usually thought of as a positive thing. Good luck in your deliberations.

17	A lot of kids and teens may not have funds to reserve courts, but would benefit from the access and exercise, so maybe an age-based system could be considered.	10/25/2022 8:09 PM
18	I just recently stumbled on pickleball players playing in the mornings at the Monona courts. Folks were super friendly and welcoming and I was able to jump right in and play. I rotated into games and sat and rested after I'd played for a bit. It was incredibly equitable and did not feel like an exclusive club. I was so thrilled to find this opportunity to play open pickleball somewhere. I've struggled to find a place to play and I don't know where else I would go to find something like this. It's perfect for a single person wanting to play for a little bit. And a great option because it's so hard to get into the MSCR leagues. In the time I was there only one other private group showed up to play and they played on their own court by themselves. It was clear, though, that they were welcome to rotate in with other players. Please let people continue to play like this, especially if nobody else is using the court. There are other places to play tennis nearby, but not many good options for pickleball.	10/25/2022 7:49 PM
19	I have had a very positive experience playing Pickleball at the Winnequah courts. The morning group has allowed me to exercise and learn the sport with the group that is very inclusive: Allowing anyone to play with the group. In the evening, the courts are typically open to play when there are not youth tennis lessons being taught. Prior to Pickleball lines being painted and nets being purchased, these courts were under used. With the volume of players and the structure around this play, the city has maximized the utility of the courts. If the city is looking to adapt for the numbers of Pickleball players, an expansion to dedicated Pickleball courts would be necessary. Expanding Ahuska Park courts to include Pickleball would allow for more courts, at the detriment to the number of Tennis courts. What Monona is gaining from the amount of Pickleball players that regularly play in the AMs at Winnequah Courts is the benefit of healthy seniors. This is a huge positive that Monona has gained without actually building an internal program through Parks and Recreation. This is an advantage that that most Communities have struggled with. It is amazing to see older adults band together through out the year (winter included) to move their bodies and keep them active. Way to go Monona.	10/25/2022 12:12 PM
20	This survey is not well written. I play pickleball with friends and do not ever play tennis. We are not part of an organized group other than a friends group that wants to stay fit and connected in our area parks. If you start charging the public to use courts, what are you going to charge the school district who monopolizes many of the public courts despite having their own court facilities near the high school? Please address this at the public input session.	10/25/2022 11:29 AM
21	Your survey doesn't ask pertinent questions about open play, for example, it doesn't describe how the courts are currently being used by pickleball players. Current usage allows as many players as ask to play to have a chance to get in a game and continue to play as a winner or rotationally. No one has ever been turned away while I was there and I know of no instances where that has happened. And I know of no instance when a group of four or five push to have a single court for their unique group for extended periods. That would deny many the courts for a few. What are you finding wrong with the current system that causes you concern. Perhaps you should be taking a survey made out by the people that actually use the courts.	10/24/2022 8:01 PM
22	This is a very badly written survey. The answers to the questions don't represent my point of view. Currently if a large group of players are playing in open play, anyone arriving is welcome to join play using the paddle saddle. I have never seen any tennis players come to the court and be turned away, ever. I also suggest you check the surrounding towns/cities how things are handled. None of the options suggested are used around here .	10/24/2022 7:35 PM
23	All parks should remain open play, no fees. If there's a problem with capacity for either Tennis or Pickleball then designate certain days or times for each. Figure out highest and best use - the worst thing would be for the courts to sit unused.	10/23/2022 4:53 PM
24	We stopped playing tennis there because we couldn't get on the court, basically pickle ball uses it at all times.	10/23/2022 4:26 PM
25	I've never had a problem at the courts. It never hurts to just have a conversation with someone.	10/22/2022 9:59 PM
26	I am a new pickleball player and enjoy that I can go to Winnequah in the morning and engage	10/22/2022 12:10 PM

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in open play. If I want to play ONLY with certain people I can do that at another time of day OR at another location.

27	Looking to charge a fee to use a park that taxpayers support is a inequitable way to move forward. Monona Parks are the worst maintained parks in Dane County, City officials should be looking at cleaning up the softball diamonds (that youth pay to use) instead of finding ways to make money off of taxpayers.	10/22/2022 11:10 AM
28	I would be very interested in knowing if the city is extending a reservation and fee based policy to all city park and recreational facilities. If not, then why is pickleball being singled out?	10/22/2022 10:28 AM
29	There needs to be other tennis courts converted, public-wise, if they are not being used. Why have public property not being utilized? Courts degrade, opportunity for others to use and be an added feature to the community.	10/22/2022 8:28 AM
30	I like seeing the courts used. I play tennis but usually play at Ahuska, as the courts are much nicer and don't have to listen to the skateboarders. I was born and raised in Monona and like seeing the parks and facilities used. If you start charging at Winnequah will you also charge at Ahuska? Or drop in pond hockey...where will it end.	10/22/2022 8:04 AM
31	We have two sets of tennis courts in Monona. Adding tennis courts to a nature preserve area along with additional parking spaces turns this area into another ordinary park, rather than a treasured, quiet, natural setting where people go for walks, meditation, being in nature and experiencing a beautiful, peaceful oasis in the midst of a lively community.	10/21/2022 9:06 PM
32	I play tennis and pickleball. I only use Ahuska for tennis. Just started playing pickleball and have only played a few times and really enjoyed having a drop in at Winnequah.	10/21/2022 8:50 PM
33	As the winner of the inaugural Monona Parks & Rec Pickleball tournament I would like to say that I have been learning how to play pickleball with the players at Winnequah park for the past 4 months. They have been extremely welcoming and friendly. I think Monona Parks & Rec should be protecting and enshrining the culture of play on these courts rather than antagonizing people who just like to play the game.	10/21/2022 8:34 AM
34	It seems to me there need to be additional courts available. I do not play pickleball but walk by there frequently and the courts seem very busy	10/21/2022 7:56 AM
35	Keep it open play	10/20/2022 7:57 PM
36	The survey is hard to interpret. In some cases there seems choices that don't see complete and need none of the above as a choice. It seems that there needs to be equal consideration and accommodation for all kinds of players. That includes different skill levels, different goals in playing (competition, exercise, socialization, fun and financial resources). That seems to call for some reserving of courts, some first come first use, and some times all or most courts can be used for any players to come and rotate in with those who are there.	10/20/2022 6:55 PM
37	Other municipalities around us have this figured out AND the range of responses on this survey are incomplete and, frankly, ridiculous. Please consult with their rec departments and put the information you learn out to our community. I feel like there's hostility in Monona re: pickleball players while both SP and McF have their act together.	10/20/2022 2:15 PM
38	The pickle ball players are always complaining and leaving a mess, fuck em	10/20/2022 12:29 PM
39	It certainly has become apparent to everyone that those are now essentially pickleball courts all the time. :)	10/20/2022 11:16 AM
40	The current system works very well, it would be imprudent to invoke change. Question # 10 is misleading as it seems designed to invoke a predetermined response.	10/20/2022 10:39 AM
41	My biggest issue is if I show up with a group of 4 to play, we should be able to play together and not have to join a larger group and play in with them. If that means waiting 30 minutes for them to finish a game and free up a court thats ok, but one group should not get all 4 courts IF a full group of 4 arrives at the courts.	10/20/2022 10:18 AM
42	Would support open use for tennis & pickleball with one hour limit if others not in your group are waiting. Also would support courts reservation with fee if large group plays regularly.	10/20/2022 8:25 AM
43	I've met wonderful people at Winnequah who are friendly, welcoming, and inclusive. Beginners are guided to lessons and sometimes a "beginner's court." Open, free-of-charge pickleball	10/20/2022 8:17 AM

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works well everywhere, with some communities encouraging players to pay a nominal annual fee/donation (\$30?) to use courts and help with maintenance.

44	At least 2 Courts on Broadway should be stripped for pickleball. They are underutilized and have lights, It's time. Or these should be pickleball only and funding sought for lights on all courts,	10/20/2022 8:01 AM
45	I would play pickleball in Monona if the courts were more available. As it is, we play at heritage instead.	10/20/2022 6:53 AM
46	Build pickleball courts... you can afford to purchase SD, renovate another park that did not need it, AND redo Winnequah again. Do something nice and useful for Monona. Add 6 dedicated pickleball courts in Dream Park. It is the only sport that anyone can do. Support activity for all. Do the right thing. You can get grants for this project as Madison and Sun Prairie have done. How is Monona so late to this game? Every other town or city in the area has at least on dedicated pickleball court. Monona can part with one of it's tennis courts or build a new one and charge a nominal fee to reserve the courts. \$5/2hrs. That could easily generate \$20k/yr without full use and no play 3-4 months of the year.	10/20/2022 6:50 AM
47	This group that we play with, At the time we didn't know they still welcome us to play with the group. Therefore, I don't understand what all the fuss about!!!!	10/20/2022 6:48 AM
48	They need update the parking lot for the courts on Nichols road. No additional courts should be built until the courts that exist are maintained better. The city does not maintain the current courts or parking lot well.	10/20/2022 4:37 AM
49	We have ahuska that enough court space, and have never seen it full. Why not have a designated pickleball facility. Reservations are tough to enforce, or fell bad kicking someone out. First come first serve is best. One match then let others play if they are waiting.	10/19/2022 10:44 PM
50	The open pickleball play that exists at Winnequah Park Courts is a great community asset. It gives people of all ages a chance to participate in a fun and healthy activity all year long (yes, they do play during the winter). We should not penalize these citizens for creating a great environment to exercise and socialize with a fee system. They are exactly what our Monona Parks should be about.	10/19/2022 10:43 PM
51	There are more tennis courts available elsewhere at Ahuska, but no pickleball courts elsewhere, even though there are many more pickleball players than tennis players. Convert the Winnequah courts to pickleball only.	10/19/2022 10:09 PM
52	Many of the above questions depend upon circumstances. I would like to see new courts set up in Monona just for pickleball please. Residents should not have to pay for pickleball reservations if reservations get set up because we already pay local taxes. We would like to see resident priority ( i.e. a week in advance perhaps ) for pickleball reservations.	10/19/2022 10:03 PM
53	I use these courts every week. Tennis is my main sport	10/19/2022 9:42 PM
54	Have played pickleball there with morning drop in group the system in place works well. You rotate out after you lose or every 2 games if you win. Everyone gets to play a lot. I have never seen anyone there for tennis in the morning	10/19/2022 8:55 PM
55	Most of the times that I have used the court, for playing pickle ball, rarely do I see anyone else using the other 3 courts! Occasionally 1 of the other 3 courts are used.	10/19/2022 8:54 PM
56	Any chance to build more courts elsewhere in the community?	10/19/2022 8:17 PM
57	They are lovely	10/19/2022 8:14 PM
58	I participate in "Open Play" pickleball at Monona at least one morning a week. Please see the following link for an explanation of Open Play and why it is an important part of the pickleball social culture. <a href="https://racquetwarrior.com/a-guide-to-pickleball-open-play-etiquette-rotation/">https://racquetwarrior.com/a-guide-to-pickleball-open-play-etiquette-rotation/</a> Playing at Monona reminds me of when I was a little kid and I'd go to the local playground and play games with whoever was there. Everyone is friendly and welcoming no matter your skill level and many have become friends that I socialize with outside of pickleball. Open Play is organized so that everyone has a chance to rotate in and play. Having open play rotation schemes with paddle saddles is also not uncommon. I appreciate that someone has volunteered to collect a small fee to buy balls and other court amenities to facilitate play. In the survey there were some suggestions for scheduling schemes but none included designated times for pickleball open play. As there are alternative tennis courts within a couple of miles, I	10/19/2022 7:47 PM

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suggest scheduling pickleball open play most mornings unless there is a Park program using the courts or a paid reservation. All other times would be first come first serve or reservation. McFarland just opened 8 courts and posted play guidelines that are quite simple. Play is first come first serve basis. If people are waiting, play is limited to one game up to 11 or 15 minutes if not keeping score. At Monona during open play, we routinely play only to 9 in order to facilitate rotation in of players waiting. I invite you to show up some morning and see why we love the game, open play, and the wonderful players.

59	It seems excessive to have to pay to use a public tennis court. I believe in keeping public spaces accessible regardless of people's income. Perhaps my tax dollars would be better spent on providing education to the adults in the community about how to share and take turns.	10/19/2022 7:40 PM
60	Has there been any consideration of creating designated family/kids play times vs adult only use times?	10/19/2022 7:39 PM
61	I would like to see pickle ball leagues in particular move to Ahuska park. The courts are often unavailable due to leagues for pickle ball and tennis lessons. Moving at least some of those to Ahuska which has more courts, would help make the two courts in the core neighborhood of Monona available for drop in play. Many times in the last year my family has not been able to play tennis or pickle ball at Winnequah (even if we check back several times over a couple hour time period)and had to drive elsewhere. Time limits are a good idea!	10/19/2022 6:57 PM
62	I'm glad to see it getting so much use. My challenge is that I show up to teach my kids tennis and there are only pickle ball courts set up and often a queue of people waiting. I'd like a reliable way to know I can have access when we want to play so a reservation system would work well for us.	10/19/2022 6:56 PM
63	Retirees are like teenagers. They have jack to do, so they congregate where they can have fun and br social. Pickle ball is their way of doing that and that's great. Nonetheless, they can't take over the court(s) and at the same time it's not fair for residents to pay for use. So that's where time limits or reserving comes in. I'm glad they're playing and using the courts but hot damn does it have to be every morning all season?	10/19/2022 6:42 PM
64	We'd like to take advantage of some drop in times for people new to pickle ball	10/19/2022 6:15 PM
65	Have been using over a year and it's been great. I play in Monroe and they work about the same as here, except they have a rec dept that charges small fee for the season. Meet great people and get good exercise. It's wonderful and inclusive. The survey has very limited options.	10/19/2022 5:46 PM
66	Do not make it too complicated (like the pool schedule with numerous reservations for certain groups and restrictions). Leave the courts open without reservation or fee. No need for changes to the courts either. Tennis courts can be used for various activities (traditional tennis, paddle tennis, pickle ball).	10/19/2022 5:44 PM
67	You need to include a choice of play time that reflects the current practice which has very desirable use of the courts as opposed to the non use that existed pre covid. I am 81 years old and play 5-6 days per week.	10/19/2022 5:09 PM
68	I was unable to answer some of your questions as the responses are inadequate to voice my opinion. I have no problem paying a fee to play pickleball at Winnequah Park. I do have a concern with having to manage the play area as a player in the manner you suggest. It appears the current morning system allowing all interested participants to play does not meet the parks and rec department requirements. That said, I applaud the interpersonal skills used by current morning players on the court. Players welcome all ages, skill levels, and temperaments. It is fun to be a part of this group. I have played pickleball in Wisconsin and Arizona. The alternatives you suggest are not used and do not accommodate the interests of pickleball players. Thank you for sharing your survey and customer approach. Dawn Olson	10/19/2022 4:55 PM
69	Do not want to see playtime limited to 1 hour. That is an insufficient amount of time to play. Should be at least 2 hours or longer if all courts are not being utilized.	10/19/2022 4:51 PM
70	I like playing tennis at Winnequah, however it seems to be majority occupied by picklballers. I like pickle ball as well but don't okay it as frequently as tennis. So I end up having to drive elsewhere to play tennis.	10/19/2022 4:49 PM
71	I would love to see more puckleball	10/19/2022 4:27 PM

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72	Survey is flawed to come to a preconceived conclusion. Ask the right questions. I've played in other parts of the country. Always open play, no fees, rotating 4 in/out. No time restrictions. Pickleball is a very social game causing large groups of individuals coming together for exercise, social interaction and fun. All helping seniors on a limited income to enjoy their retirement years.	10/19/2022 4:20 PM
73	In NOV 2018 I lost my wife to cancer. I was introduced to pickleball in late 2019 by a couple that had been playing at Turner's with many of the people that currently play mornings in Monona. I could not have found more welcoming and like minded individuals that pursued pickleball with great zest. In my late 60's at the time I knew nothing of the sport, rules, strategies etc. It mattered not to them as they welcomed me with encouragement and patience. during these inflationary times and for many seniors on fixed incomes, it would be a shame if any physical and social activities by current participants would be curtailed in any way. Thank you, Jim Dresen	10/19/2022 4:19 PM
74	If all pickleball courts are being used if somebody wants to play tennis the courts are given up Always welcoming players	10/19/2022 4:08 PM
75	There are other/better options that this survey does not address. It seems geared to specific pre-determined responses. An open public drop-in option should be available and run in an effective organized manner to ensure that individuals who do not have others to play with are able to play pickleball. Essentially that is the function served by the group of individuals who play in the mornings.	10/19/2022 3:55 PM
76	Just started PB myself but I believe Mon & Wed are set aside for tennis, no PB. I've been there 2x on those days & there was no one at all there. So I think PB shld always hv availability bc it's so popular.	10/19/2022 3:50 PM
77	Wide variety of players with cohesiveness, enjoying pickleball . Enjoying the outdoors and the exercise.	10/19/2022 3:49 PM
78	In my experience at other Pickleball courts where there is more players than space, reservations or time limits decreases the amount of time singles and doubles can be played. Rotation is the only way to have equitable playing time. I have played at numerous packed courts and everybody waits their time with a paddle jockey to keep everybody in queue. This is how it is also handled at Winnequah Courts. This survey does not reflect that type of organized play. Please make an option that indicates the above. To publish this survey and not have that queue as an option shows a misunderstanding of the manner in which packed courts run to maximal efficiency. Any other fix that was suggested will only decrease court usage.	10/19/2022 3:49 PM
79	Thanks for the use of your courts. I don't see how a fee system would work with drop in groups that vary. Prefer open play for all unless a court is reserved	10/19/2022 3:23 PM
80	large groups shouldn't be able to monopolize the courts	10/19/2022 3:12 PM
81	I like the open (ie. no reservation) play for pickleball the way it is now.	10/19/2022 3:12 PM
82	With only two tennis courts/four pickleball courts, and with the growing popularity of pickleball, it's inevitable that there will be congestion issues at the Winnequah courts. I like having non-Monona people play at the courts because they provide a "critical mass" of players for pick-up play each morning. I can't play by myself, I need at least three other people, so it's nice that there is an established time when I know other people will be at the courts. I get that my neighbors want the courts to be available (at all times, apparently) for their use, but I use the courts 3X/week and am a Monona resident also, so I hope my needs are also considered. Thank you.	10/19/2022 3:04 PM
83	I drop in usually early and come once in awhile. People are always friendly and inviting. I just learned to play pickleball and the people who happen to be there on the days that I come are so helpful in learning to play the game and make it such equal playing time for all. I can say I just started after I retired and because of such friendly people showing me the game of pickleball I have learned to love the game. Thanks to the Monona parks for such a great place to play.	10/19/2022 3:00 PM
84	My husband went town to use the pickelball court with a friend . There were people who came who were used to playing on those courts at those times and they were rude and relentless to get them to give up their court. People that come in off the street have a right to play by themselves and not have to join the informal group that seems to dominate the courts. They	10/19/2022 2:47 PM

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were pretty disgusted and have tried to now avoid going when these folks are known to be there. They should not have to be bullied when they want to play just amongst themselves.

85	1 hour reservations	10/19/2022 2:44 PM
86	if reservation is required would like to see easy online reservation that allows reserving in real time for immediate use if courts are open. we are eagerly awaiting pickle ball courts in Cottage Grove and when these open there may be somewhat reduced demand in Monona	10/19/2022 2:31 PM
87	Why change? Everyone is happy with things as they are. Madison does not charge Monona people to use its facilities.	10/19/2022 2:24 PM
88	I retired in June, 2021, and learned from a family member that there was open pickleball play in Monona. So I went to the Winnequah courts and watched people play in order to learn. I talked to various people who played and was encouraged to borrow a paddle and show up and play which is what I did. I asked if it was okay that I played as a beginner and was told "These are public courts, anyone can play." I was encouraged to keep playing in order to get better. I have found great benefits physically, emotionally and socially. As a senior who is a widow it is vital for me to have interactions and camaraderie with others and I have found that in playing pickleball. Thank you to the city of Monona for affording this opportunity to many individuals, young and old alike. I would like to see the city embrace a policy of open play for all unless a court is reserved, no fees. Thank you.	10/19/2022 2:19 PM
89	The most user friendly group in Dane County. Organized only to insure that all have the chance to play. I take exception to the attitude of Monona parks staff who have approached the issue with PickleBall players in an adversarial manner; unprofessional and indicative of those insensitive to the wants and needs of users/customers.	10/19/2022 2:14 PM
90	We could definitely use more pickleball courts. If there was a covered or indoor option (even for a small fee) it would get a ton of use in the offseason as well.	10/19/2022 2:03 PM
91	Monona's pickleball courts are as popular as our swimming pool with non residents. They should either have to pay a fee to play and/or be with a Monona resident.	10/19/2022 2:01 PM
92	All Monona pickleballers know that you cannot use the court until after 1130am on any given day because "the morning group" is there. It feels very unfair. Yes, I could play with them but I'd like to play with my friends.	10/19/2022 1:56 PM
93	Very hard to police this stuff. Maybe league/lesson fees need to be higher so we can build more courts if demand is so high.	10/19/2022 1:55 PM
94	Asking people to self-police time limits doesn't work. Is there any way to mark reserved court times besides going online? Signs with a QR code to show which courts are available? Don't let pickeball take preference over tennis because of a vocal minority- they should have equal access.	10/19/2022 1:55 PM
95	It seems that if there are open unused courts available they should be open for play regardless of what is happening on the courts in use.	10/19/2022 1:45 PM
96	I have enjoyed the public courts for the past two summers now. I started coming to play Pickleball and have found the group of individuals who also gather at the courts in the morning on weekdays to be warm and welcoming. The group is informal in that I've felt comfortable coming to play as much or as little as my schedule allowed. No matter who is there, whenever I've come to play, it's been a fun group of people enjoying recreational play. I understood that the people who play more regularly have pooled resources to help the overall facilitation of fun and I, too, happily made a small donation toward their efforts. The improvements have been undeniable including balls and a locked box to house them, improved quality and more easily movable nets, a wind sock, a paddle saddle to facilitate taking turns, aluminium benches for seating when not playing, a court squeegee for rain, etc. I do think that if the play and/or availability of the courts were to be more formalized and regulated, the current positive, inclusive culture of the courts would be lost. I'm happy to make an annual donation or even pay an annual fee but to have reserved courts or courts only available to specific people at specific times feels to be the antithesis of what these kinds of public facilities should be. My experience thus far has been more like a public playground for adults. Anyone can come and play at any time and they will be welcomed and integrated into the current group playing. I've never experienced anyone being turned away. If there were folks who wanted to remain as a group within themselves, the groups have shared the courts on numerous occasions. Quite	10/19/2022 1:42 PM

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honestly, from my perspective it has worked quite well and I don't understand the need to do anything differently.

97	<p>I come to pickleball when I feel like it, often on the later side (9:30am or 10:00am). Other players come as early as 7:30 and are gone or just finishing up by the time I get there. This allows for more players and players of different levels to enjoy the game. I am more of a beginner and show up on the later side when the more seasoned players are tired. There are a few other beginner players who tend to show up later so it works out. If the courts were reserved for just one hour, we would all need to wait a long time before playing and it wouldn't work. I suggest drop-in play all morning unless someone wants to reserve a court. That way, more of us can play without waiting. The other nice thing about drop in play is that I don't have to find three other people to play with at a specific time. I just show up and there will be players there if the weather is nice. I have also come with my husband or another friend in the afternoon to play just to practice when the courts are completely open. The courts are almost never used in the afternoons--they are wide open. There should be another option for #19: open play at all times unless court is reserved. That is how it has been and I think it has worked really well. I know that other communities charge a yearly fee to use the courts (something like \$10.00) for all users. That would work for me and would generate income for the parks department.</p>	10/19/2022 1:41 PM
98	<p>Like other tennis and pickleball courts, I think they should be available for public use. If the courts are all occupied, I can wait my turn. I can play for free at Maple Bluff, Tenney, and all other Madison area courts. I understand if you pay a fee to play only if you want to reserve a court, thereby guaranteeing you a place on a court at a specific time. I found some questions above confusing in their wording, ie use of word "scheduled" in #10 a above. For instance, courts allocated to pickleball 7-12, and then tennis 12-5? that would be fine with me.</p>	10/19/2022 1:36 PM
99	<p>With the trend towards organized youth sports it would be very sad to see even tennis as a "pay to play" activity.</p>	10/19/2022 1:34 PM
100	<p>The courts should be reservable for a fee regardless of residency and age. Perhaps it should have a small fee elevation for non residents. I think the courts can only be reserved outside of parks and rec lessons. They should not be able to reserve during programs.</p>	10/19/2022 1:29 PM
101	<p>I moved to Monona 3 years ago and have played on and off on the courts in the mornings. I have always felt welcomed and have not seen a time when someone that wanted to play was made to feel unwelcome. I could see charging a yearly fee to individuals -something reasonable like \$20 per year or leaving one court open for tennis or other people to play on. Other than that it seems you are creating a problem that doesn't exist and creating money management problems that seem unnecessary. How would you manage the time people would play and whether some has paid on a daily basis? Are you going to post someone at the court to monitor who comes and goes? It seems like a waste of time and resources. Most of the people that play there are senior citizens. It seems ridiculous to charge them when instead you should be trying to support people playing on a public court-especially seniors who might not be able to afford it! The City of Monona should be spending their time figuring out where to put more courts. There is plenty of space available in the parks. Use the beautiful new courts in McFarland as a model- no one is asking anyone to pay there. I hope Parks and Rec will reconsider this plan and keep the courts affordable and available for all. Linda Franz 405 Woody Lane, Monona</p>	10/19/2022 1:28 PM
102	<p>I do not see a large demand for tennis play at Winnequah in the mornings when pickleball play is the greatest. A large tennis play area exists at Ashuka Park. Things to consider: dedicated pickleball courts like other surrounding communities. Recreational fee/pass like the pool for use of tennis/pickleball courts. Pickleball or tennis only times based on demand for usage.</p>	10/19/2022 1:15 PM
103	<p>I think when parks and rec is having tennis or pickleball lessons the whole court should be reserved for them. It would be awesome if the morning group allowed for individual groups to play as well especially on the weekends. I love seeing so many people use the courts.</p>	10/19/2022 1:15 PM
104	<p>Tennis players have lots of courts at Ahuska Park —that's why I don't want to see dedicated tennis times at Winnequah Park. My experience playing pickleball at Winnequah Park starting spring of 2021 have all been positive: being welcomed from day 1, making new friends, getting exercise and fresh air, having a lot of laughs! I don't see a need for a change. Question 10 on priorities: if a lot of people are playing without a reservation, it is "open play" and any newcomers should be able to just get in the queue to get onto a court for a game as games finish.</p>	10/19/2022 1:08 PM

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105	The only opinion I have is that the tennis instruction is great! My kids love it.	10/19/2022 1:07 PM
106	Parks/courts should be open to all players. They are public! The "group" you are talking about, is welcoming, and does not turn anyone away. Everyone is welcome. This is evident by the quickly growing number of players. New players are often taught the game by more experienced players. You should feel good about your park and courts that people want to play there! The activity brings people into Monona, and people spend money, and familiarize themselves with the area and what it has to offer. I feel early morning til noon, should be kept as it is now. Open for all to play. If you feel you must offer reservation courts, a suggestion would be, to offer 2 courts, for a 2 hour time period after noon. One hour is not enough. That leaves 2 courts for drop in, no reservation courts. Why you feel you need to charge money, I don't understand. This is a city property, open to all people. Will you decide to charge people that enter the park or skate board park as well?	10/19/2022 1:06 PM
107	These are public courts so people should be able to use them on a fair and equitable system. Absolutely agree that parks and recreation programming is a priority. But I have been down several Saturday and Sunday mornings to play tennis with my young daughter, only to find that they are all used up by pickleball players. The first-come, first serve hourly system seems fair. A reservation system at Ahuska makes more sense, since there are more courts.	10/19/2022 1:00 PM
108	You ask about a \$10 fee-for the group or for each individual? I play pickle ball regularly and have never seen anyone turned away. I had played pickle ball with people and then a couple of tennis players showed up and we moved to give them a court to play on. This court has been used for years without incident and now you need to stir things up-why??? Most of the pickle ball players are older and the city should be looking at how to expand the options to allow more play, not constrict them-how about the San Damiano property for some new courts, or in a corner of Dream park?	10/19/2022 12:59 PM
109	I prefer just show up and wait for your turn with common curtesy for all	10/19/2022 12:59 PM
110	This Spring, I learned that pickleball was being played at the Winnequah Park Courts. Saturday mornings & Thursday evenings worked best for me, so that is when I played the past 5 months. I didn't know a single person there at first, but the players welcomed me and I took part in the rotational play when the courts were full. I have never observed anyone treated differently. The level of play varies from beginner to intermediate, so quality of play is not a barrier to participation. If the courts become available via reservation and/or fee only, I will no longer use them and I will spend less time and money in Monona.	10/19/2022 12:58 PM
111	To keep things fair for all on public courts I feel the City should designate open pickleball time blocks as well as open tennis time blocks. Two hour time blocks are best. One hour is just not enough. This works well at Sun Prairie and other courts. In that two hour block anyone dropping in should be able to rotate in and out with other players. At less desirable times of the day it might be easier to get on a court and play with only your people, but there could be posted rules for open play and rotation when it's crowded. I've seen some cities charge an annual minimal user fee, such as \$20, for each person who wants to use the courts. Although I have not seen that at public courts in Sun Prairie or Madison, that still seems reasonable. Having to reserve a court and pay a substantial fee like \$10 for each one or two hour session will limit accessibility to many and cater to those with privilege. That doesn't square with the friendly City of Monona I am familiar with. Having a minimal annual user fee would provide some funding to the city and yet still be welcoming. I have been so impressed with the City of Monona offering PB courts. I occasionally drop in to play at various times with all different age groups and everyone has been absolutely welcoming and friendly. Although I live close by, I have discovered friendly places in Monona to shop for groceries and other items. Thanks for the opportunity to offer input! I will attend your further discussion on the 9th.	10/19/2022 12:56 PM
112	3 times in 2 years have tennis players come to Monona in the morning. The people playing pickleball at that time cleared the nets so that they could play. People have been 100% welcoming and encouraging to every person entering the courts. Only one time did a group of 4 want to have their own court in open play time. It happened, but it meant that others waiting to play pickleball had a longer wait time and those on "their own court" were able to play game after game after game. When I began playing, there was never anyone there and due to the people that drop in and like it, the courts are fully utilized daily, and isn't that a good thing? The improvements made to the courts and the organization of rotation has made the Monona courts very popular and given joy to many many people daily.	10/19/2022 12:49 PM
113	Monona needs tennis courts at Winnequah park . Ahuska is not condusive to kids biking to play tennis. Because of the noise from pickleball, please move pickleball courts to Ahuska	10/19/2022 12:47 PM

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where the noise is not an issue and leave tennis in the neighborhood. Additional tennis courts would be a welcomed additional to the neighborhood.

114	The fences could use some extra length to save balls from going under or higher nets to stop from going into the pool.	10/19/2022 12:46 PM
115	I have played with the large morning pickleball group, they have been friendly and we were encouraged to join them. I appreciate their upkeep and support of the courts and added equipment. Their level of play is quite high and not everyone can or wants to play at that level. I have no problem sharing the space with them, the issue as I see it, is that they use all four courts. For an extended amount of time. Every day. Perhaps they would compromise with using 2 of the 4 courts or limiting their use to 2 hours a day? I do hope a compromise can be reached since there is a benefit to the community, it feels vibrant to have the group of mostly older active adults using the space. It would be a shame to charge a fee for a public park	10/19/2022 12:39 PM
116	Players are welcoming and inclusive. My wife and I have made good friends playing there and we would be disappointed if changes were made that restricts play. Right now the park is a wonderful neighborhood gathering spot which is what our parks should be.	10/19/2022 12:38 PM
117	I am a 15 year old who plays tennis regularly. I have had a hard time using these courts lately, they are often used by pickle ball and the users are rather rude to me when I come. I have to bike, so getting to other courts safely is challenging. I have made reservations when I have plans with friends, but a lot of plans happen quickly and I know that I can't just show up to play here anymore which is too bad. I wish I knew when the courts were in use, because I have to bike down there to see if I can even use them.	10/19/2022 12:37 PM
118	As a single player who's not very good yet, I'd like there to be scheduled drop-in times for non-competitive play.	10/19/2022 12:36 PM
119	Believe the current situation of "open drop in play" for pickleball from 7am to 11am is working well. Everyone is welcome to play regardless of skill level and use of the paddle saddle allows fair and equal rotation access to all. Courts are available for those who do not want to mix in with others for the majority of the day and evening. Tennis players have another option of Ahuska.	10/19/2022 12:35 PM
120	I play when acquaintances are playing since strangers usually don't invite others to play. The group I play with do welcome strangers who show up to join in. (I lived in Monona for 20 years on Bartels Street.)	10/19/2022 12:34 PM
121	I will highly encourage to make it a 4 season tennis/pickleball/paddle not only to maximize the usage but also to increase the activities for our community during cold seasons.	10/19/2022 12:27 PM
122	Why is there an anti Pickleball movement from the city? Seem like a rather ageist attitude. Exercise for the senior folks is a good thing. Build another court. Since we are already in a ridiculous deficit in this city what's a few more for the goodness of HEALTH	10/19/2022 12:18 PM
123	To my knowledge everyone is welcome no one has ever been turned away. Open play is the standard across all communities. Monona seems to be the one with a manufactured problem, i.e. creating a solution in search of a problem. People want to play tennis there are dedicated tennis courts at Ahuska less than 1 mile away. So what's the problem? Perhaps Monona should seriously look at developing dedicated courts as Stoughton, Fitchburg, McFarland, Oregon, Sun Prairie, etc. Monona is really behind the 8 ball on this.	10/19/2022 12:14 PM
124	Would be nice to keep it easy/ simple for seniors to play on courts so they don't have to travel far. Sometimes anything online is difficult for seniors. Try to have options that are not online so they can continue to enjoy courts. Looks like they are having fun when we walk by & it would be sad to take away that joy. I don't currently know anyone who uses courts personally but I am an RN who used to work with seniors & appreciate when they are advocated for. Thank you!	10/19/2022 12:04 PM
125	Hybrid of reservation and drop in play is preferred	10/19/2022 12:03 PM
126	Would love it if there was the way to have a clock Ala chess. I like "open " time AND "reserved" time. Open time could have so,me sort of timer	10/19/2022 12:03 PM
127	I will not support paying every time for an outdoor court. I will support an annual reasonable fee like \$40 as Stoughton charges.	10/19/2022 12:02 PM
128	What about setting up Pickleball courts at Ahuska? That may reduce the current demand for	10/19/2022 11:59 AM

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Pickleball play at the pool courts.

129	The accessibility of the open Pickleball courts @ Winnequah Park as enabled me to enjoy exercise and form many new friendships. Both things of vital importance to a senior citizen. Please consider this in moving forward with any changes to your court policies. Thank you.	10/19/2022 11:57 AM
130	Under "court time designation" and "open play availability" none of those statements really cover my desire which is the ability to use the courts whenever they are open. Before playing Pickleball at Winnequah, it seems they were seldom busy. With the current # of interested Pickleball players, it seems the courts are well used and available. I would like that to continue as is. No need for any changes. Cooperation has always been given to times where someone has "reserved" the courts for other uses. Pickleball players have always accommodated changes to the schedule.	10/19/2022 11:56 AM
131	I will send adduitional comments by email to Jake at Parks and Rec.	10/19/2022 11:53 AM
132	Friendly group of players that are very welcoming. Generous in the aspect the retirees allow others to use equipment they bought. I rarely see tennis players using courts so to limit court play for others seems wasteful. Seems like we could paint PB lines at Ahuska Park to alleviate any over flow issues here. Or no PB at Ahuska and only tennis is allowed, leaving Winnequah for only PB.	10/19/2022 11:51 AM
133	Your 3 choices for court use are deeply flawed. We play pickleball everywhere we travel and the universal open play is to rotate 4 waiting players in for a game to 11 or 15 minutes max if practicing/learning. I do agree there should be dedicated open play for tennis separate from pickleball but if the courts go unused during the designated time it should be ok for pickleball to be played but players need to vacate immediately if tennis players show up.	10/19/2022 11:47 AM
134	It's nice playing pickleball there because it's different players every day and you meet new people almost every day. The level of play is different for every player also. Everyone is friendly and welcoming.	10/19/2022 11:47 AM
135	Public transportation is a problem for me. Cannot be accessed easily!	10/19/2022 11:44 AM
136	There needs to be a long term solution to this issue for the many tennis playing residents. Pickleballers have reservations weekend mornings and many evenings. This makes it very difficult for working adults who want to play tennis. Furthermore, when the pickleballers are there, they take up both courts leaving no room for tennis. Given its popularity, I fully support adding a pickleball only court in another area of the park or adding one to the new San Damiano property. Another potential spot for pickleballers could be Monona Grove HS. There is plenty of parking and the courts are rarely used.	10/19/2022 11:43 AM
137	I would support turning this location into true pickleball courts - tennis available at Ahuska.	10/19/2022 11:43 AM
138	You cannot combine pickleball desires with tennis play desires. Tennis play should definitely be capped at 1 hr if someone is waiting. There are more people who want to play pickleball than there are courts so the courts need to be shared with everyone who comes to play in the order that they arrive and after they have played they rotate to the end of the line again (with any new people or people who have already played) so there is no such thing as a cap for play time. The more people are waiting the longer you have to wait to play. With a small number of people sometimes there are not enough people to use all four courts. So it varies a lot. People can go to Ahuska courts to play tennis if nothing is available at Winnequah	10/19/2022 11:43 AM
139	I think a premium for reserving both courts simultaneously would be appropriate, for example \$10 for 1 court and \$25 for both. That would be more likely to leave 1 court for open play. We are within walking distance of the courts and as the kids get older I'd like to play a lot more tennis there, but times would be very flexible so we'd do open play.	10/19/2022 11:39 AM
140	While I understand that pickeball is very popular and an easier sport for less fit people to play, the courts are called tennis courts for a reason. We have found it increasing difficult to find any time when the courts are actually free for tennis, and the times that are available tend to be the hottest, sunniest times of day, where we always have the sun in our eyes. We'd love to see designated times for each, with both sports getting a variety of pleasant times of a day available to them. We would NOT like to see a fee reservation system. The courts should remain free, and they should be available for drop-in play at least some of the time. We love to bike to the courts, and we love the atmosphere of the park. The bike ride to Ahuska is too long and too dangerous, so we have to drive. At Ahuska, there is constant traffic noise, which makes playing there unpleasant. We played only there once (because the Winnequah courts	10/19/2022 11:37 AM

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were all occupied by pickleballers that day), and we enjoyed it so little that we never returned. I hope you succeed in finding a balance that gives everyone a chance to play.

141	indoor pickle ball for winter fee could be charged....	10/19/2022 11:32 AM
142	Using the courts on the days that I have been playing with a group on Tuesdays and Sundays has worked well. I have heard from others that the larger morning group of players are willing to allow others to play at any time with there group.	10/19/2022 11:31 AM
143	Greatly dislike charging for use of courts. It seems that people are cordial and work out how to all play together well from what I've experienced.	10/19/2022 11:30 AM
144	last question offered 2 options: 1 tennis court always available. We have dropped in to find pickleball taking up both courts often.	10/19/2022 11:27 AM
145	Why are we trying to curb pickleball availability?	10/19/2022 11:26 AM
146	Please put in some dedicated pickleball courts. There's a ton of room at neighboring parks & interest in pickleball is greater than tennis based on my usage of the courts. If you need Monona community members to assist with this planning, I would be interested & know others that would be too. I also think there is not much more benefit to our community & taxpayer dollars than having our older Monona population engaging in physical activity for long stretches of their days playing Pickleball. Keep them moving! Thanks, Matt Brown 6089211059	10/19/2022 11:25 AM
147	If this is about raising money since Monona is in debt for buying San Damiano that is sad especially as a resident I pay alot in taxes already. If it is because a few people feel they are not welcome to play since a dedicated and open group of people play every morning then you really don't know this pickleball community! When they started early in the pandemic playing at Monona there was just a handful of people but now the distribution list has over 100 people of all ages and skills. That doesn't sound exclusive or unwelcoming to me. I started playing there in the spring of 2021 and this group has been great. Making this expensive and complicated will drive people to new and nicer pickleball only courts in McFarland and Monona will again be a ghost town!	10/19/2022 11:22 AM
148	I like one hour court reservations (not two)	10/19/2022 11:19 AM
149	I am not a part of the morning pickleball group, but have great appreciation for their contributions to the courts - nets, benches, wind screens, snow shoveling, and overall up-keep. I think it is wrong for the city to demand additional payment from this group beyond the standard reservation fee. These are public courts, used by their group at a time of day that would otherwise have little or no activity at the courts. They are welcoming to new players and really represent a well-organized and friendly community group.	10/19/2022 11:18 AM
150	I think there should be specific pickle ball times but always leaving one court open to tennis. My 7 year old daughter has been wanting to play tennis in the afternoons and the court is always filled with "older" people playing pickleball. Our smaller kids who live in the neighborhood should have just as much right to the courts. Can Ahuska we made into pickleball courts and the courts by the pool be tennis? It's quite ridiculous how some of these pickleball adults are acting about the courts... I saw them even sharing a court during a paid parks and rec lesson??? I'm glad this is being addressed	10/19/2022 11:17 AM
151	Worried reservations would always be filled even by non residence.	10/19/2022 11:12 AM
152	Just have a reservation system with open courts if no reservations.	10/19/2022 11:12 AM
153	Monona residents should not have to pay a fee to use the tennis courts. Keep them free.	10/19/2022 11:09 AM
154	Good courts convenient location	10/19/2022 11:07 AM
155	Wow. The survey is definitely written with bias against Pickleball players. Please understand that the Pickleball players are not an organized group, they are not a for-profit business, it is simply groups of friends and mostly seniors making human connections and getting exercise and fitness at our public parks.	10/19/2022 11:02 AM
156	I think the Parks & Recreation programs should have priority reservation of the courts for their programming and no public usage should be allowed especially while kids are on the court. Any open court time that falls outside of the Parks & Rec programming hours should require a reservation with a fee (especially non-residents, even if they're seniors).	10/19/2022 10:58 AM
157	I don't feel strongly about how the courts are used. However, I do think it's important that if my	10/19/2022 10:57 AM

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kids and I want to use the courts in the future that they are not reservation only. It's usually a last minute decision and we walk down. Making a reservation seems too complicated. If we have gone down in the past and people are playing, we just don't play, not a big deal.

158	The choices in this survey need to be completely rewritten in terms of time frames, fees, resident vs. non resident, etc. 1. THE PRIORITY FOR TENNIS COURTS NEEDS TO BE TENNIS NOT PICKLE BALL. 2. A TENNIS MATCH TAKES MORE THAN 1 HOUR! It needs to be a 2 hour reservation. 3. Only resident of Monona should be allowed to reserve Winnequah tennis courts. These our neighborhood courts and one of the reasons we live here and pay the taxes and home prices. 4. Monona residents should be allowed to reserve courts for \$1-\$5/2 hours! A reservation can be limited to 2 hours. Set the parameter that each resident can ONLY make one reservation per week and only with 1 week's notice with new openings occurring 1 day at a time every day to prevent a small amount of people from dominating the reservations. 5. Children's Monona tennis lessons needs to remain at Winnequah using 1 court. 6. Pickle ball needs their own court. What about doing a land lease on St. Stephen's big plot of land on Owen Road? What about removing the skate park and converting it to Pickle ball? What about having Pickle ball reserve at Ahuska or Monona Grove High School because there are many courts there. Monona Grove High school is rarely used, oriented in the wrong direction for tennis, poor surface for running so makes sense for Pickle Ball that does not have overhead serving or as much running.	10/19/2022 10:50 AM
159	I am a Monona resident and I pay a lot of taxes. I don't understand why you are targeting the group that plays every day with a change in your policy. This is the most inclusive group around the area unlike places like Garver Park and even Sun Prairie. All skill level of players have been welcomed here. If you institute a complex and expensive reservation system these courts will be empty- like they were before the pandemic occurred and the current pickleball community adopted the Monona courts. This group has with their own money made many upgrades to the courts. You are being short sighted in your attempt to squeeze money out of a dedicated group of people who have made Monona a destination for pickleball in the area.	10/19/2022 10:45 AM
160	I believe OB and tenors can coexist. First come can use. These are public parks. You need to begin planning for future. Use courts at high school for tennis. Or change Ahuska to some PB courts. You need grant writing and change to meet future uses	10/19/2022 10:43 AM
161	no fees. i do not play either pickleball or tennis, but paying to play on a public court would be ridiculous.	10/19/2022 10:41 AM
162	I think it's very important that the courts stay accessible and free for all to use. I am Not in favor of a reservation or fee system. That said, I would be fine with some sort of system by which court users Indicated their start time so that new players arriving would Know approximately how long they and to wait for a court. (Assuming there was a rule of one hour max if there are others waiting.)	10/19/2022 10:39 AM
163	I love using the Winnequah courts for pickleball. The current system works fine. I like the idea of adding the rule that if people have been playing more than an hour without a reservation they should surrender a court to newcomers. Also, for reservations, it would be nice to see online when the courts are reserved.	10/19/2022 10:37 AM
164	Parks need to remain free to use, first come first serve.	10/19/2022 10:36 AM
165	I don't want to have to enforce rules if people are already using the courts. It will be very uncomfortable to ask a group to leave if they are using the court but I have it reserved. I think it should be first come first serve and being courteous to others who also want to play. Perhaps some mix of some designated times for more structured play like League night.	10/19/2022 10:32 AM
166	There are other tennis courts in Monona. Cant these be primary pickleball and Leve the others for tennis.	10/19/2022 10:31 AM
167	No fees for courts Limit play time to 90 minutes Build separate pickle ball area? Maybe behind tennis courts I have often tried to bring my son to play tennis, only to see pickle ball players "hogging" the courts. Separate play areas to accommodate both sports is preferably to me over fees/schedule ideas.	10/19/2022 10:26 AM
168	I cannot understand the description for the 4th option in #10 above. Also, how does one monitor the 1 hour limit?	10/19/2022 10:23 AM
169	Pickleball can entertain 8 people in the space that one tennis court could entertain 4 people, so I think Pickleball should be favored, should we shift to a reserved time program. I do think that	10/19/2022 10:22 AM

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the first come first served basis should factor that in as well, but that there should be times dedicated to first come first served.

170	A 1 hour limit sounds good within reason, if you are 5 minutes from finishing a game, I would hate to have someone pester them to finish.	10/19/2022 10:21 AM
171	The group that plays Pickleball in the morning is the most inclusive group in town. They now have a rotating system that better matches skill level. Sun Prairie and Garver courts are very much less inclusive and if you don't show up with your own foursome you don't get to play. Garver is especially harsh to less skilled players. At Garver you are not permitted to rotate in if you are not a top player. I live in Monona and pay way to much in taxes to also have to pay to reserve court time. Really??? You are now charging me court time??? This is a way to alienate a percentage of your population that is paying large tax bills. Exactly how many people are complaining that you are even considering doing this?	10/19/2022 10:16 AM
172	The times I've played tennis here this summer I didn't run into any contention with other playing groups, however day/time could maybe have affected this.	10/19/2022 10:15 AM
173	Ideally, designated pickleball only courts would solve the issue. The VERY large morning pickleball group could help raise the funds.	10/19/2022 10:14 AM
174	I imagine if pickleball specific courts are ever constructed the demand for the current courts would diminish considerably. Just another budget item!	10/19/2022 10:14 AM
175	We are a family that enjoys tennis on a regular basis, and also plays USTA. We occasionally play pickleball. I think with the growing interest of pickleball, it is time to look into an investment of dedicated courts in the Winnequah Park area. (McFarland just opened some new courts for the sport that are beautiful). Having only 2 courts that share tennis/pickleball is not ideal. I think we need to have opportunities for kids to access dedicated tennis courts in our community, but these 2 courts are being overrun by pickleball. Ahuska is a great tennis facility, but not really "in" the Monona community where kids can bike or walk to courts.	10/19/2022 10:14 AM
176	Prefer to keep it mostly open for tennis.	10/19/2022 10:13 AM
177	First come first served.	10/19/2022 10:12 AM
178	we don't use very often and have fortunately not had a problem getting a court to place tennis when we wanted to go. If we did see the courts were full - we would try either the high school or the courts at Ahuska Park next. I would NOT want to have to pay a fee for courts in my neighborhood.	10/19/2022 10:11 AM
179	Tennis is my priority	10/19/2022 10:11 AM
180	Add MORE. THIS IS A POPULAR SPORT	10/19/2022 10:10 AM
181	People can learn to share and be civil. Fees for public tennis courts are stupid.	10/19/2022 10:05 AM
182	My daughter has done tennis lessons at Winnequah for 2 years. The pickleball players this year "waiting" to use the courts while the little kids played were ridiculous and so rude to the young coach teaching the kids. Will was as reasonable as possible with them, yet they still could not follow directions and gave attitude to him. Tennis lessons for kids should come before pickleball players. It's only 45 min or so, and they can and should respect that without showing negativity, immaturity, and little class to an instructor teaching several children. Pathetic. On a positive note, my daughter has really enjoyed playing at the courts and the coaches have been great. We really appreciate being able to work with them as McFarland does not have as good of a system for our youngest players. Thank you!	10/19/2022 10:03 AM
183	Priority to Monona resident if reservation is required	10/19/2022 9:57 AM