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To: CityClerk Mail <CityClerk@san-clemente.org>

Subject: Fees for Pickleball

Please forward to the Council for tonight's meeting. Thank you

Honorable Council,

While I appreciate the effort that has gone into building the courts at Steed, I ask that you hold off charging any fees, until you have the proper permanent 24 court facility. The current courts are a temporary solution because of a few angry homeowners in the Shorecliff's neighborhood. Many players did not want to move from San G. Requiring payment is going to chase away many players from both outside and inside San Clemente. Pickleball is a friendly sport where you are able to meet many people and many opportunities will be lost for new friendships.

Also, open play is essential at Steed. Reservations were painful during COVID as you had to organize to even get one. Also, many people do not show up for reservations and so the courts will be empty as happens at Lifetime. Many players are single players and do not want reservations.

Again, when the City has a proper facility with many courts and activities, it will be appropriate to charge fees for membership and I am happy to pay then. However, the residents should not pay for temporary courts. No one has to play for tennis, baseball, etc in the City.

Thank you for your consideration Best, Anita Luck San Clemente Resident West Marquita