From: <u>Jennifer LaPorta</u>
To: <u>GeneralPlan</u>

Subject: update the Telecom Ordinance
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From: <u>Larkin & Matthew Morgan</u>

To: GeneralPlan

Subject: General plan update for island zoning

Date: Wednesday, July 30, 2025 10:51:17 PM

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Greetings,

I am writing in regards to the general

Plan update. We own a parcel, 076-021-042-000 that is an "island" large lot parcel amidst many smaller lot parcels. We are requesting rezoning the parcel with smaller minimum lot size thereby allowing subdivision of the parcel to match with surrounding parcel sizes. Current neighbor parcels are approximately .5 to 1 acre in size. The 076-021-042-000 parcel is 5.5 acres.

Such rezoning would allow for appropriate subdivision within a commute corridor to provide necessary housing in a housing constrained county while ensuring consistent application of zoning for all parcels in a contiguous region.

Thank you,

Matthew Morgan

"There is a crack in everything that's how the light gets in" ~Leonard Cohen

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From: <u>Marie Louise Mileck</u>
To: <u>GeneralPlan</u>

Cc: <u>Che Casul; Corbin Johnson; Ann PB Carlson</u>

Subject: Sebastopol Pickleball

Date: Saturday, August 2, 2025 9:00:09 AM Attachments: SPA Letter to County 3.26.25.docx

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As representatives of The Sebastopol Pickleball Associations, Ann Carlson and I have been emailing with Che Casul and Corbin Johnson for about a year about the possibility of getting pickleball courts in Sebastopol. I have attached the letter we sent in January. We are still waiting to hear back from Parks and Rec, but I am hoping these communications were considered during the general plan process. We have so many active pickleball players in Sebastopol, a number that is growing every day, and we would love to have dedicated courts here, as does every other city in Sonoma County.

Thank you for your consideration Marylou Mileck (707)272-3191

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March 26, 2025

Hi Che,

Thank you for your response on January 13, 2025.

We have established the Sebastopol Pickleball Association. We are a non-profit operating under the Redwood Pickleball Club Sonoma County's 501(c)3. The Sebastopol Pickleball Association has a 10-member Board of Directors and additional volunteers which include general contractors, finance and accounting professionals, landscape engineers, and others.

Our group has about 100 players ranging from age thirteen to players in their seventies. We began as a group in August, 2023, enjoying pickleball at the shared tennis courts at Brook Haven Middle School. Besides our group, there are many others sharing these three courts. We eventually realized that the only pickleball courts in Sebastopol are the three shared-line tennis courts at Brook Haven School, only accessible to the community during non-school hours. The most these courts can accommodate is twelve pickleball players at a time. If tennis is also being played at the same time, that number goes down to four or eight pickleball players. At times there can be up to 15 players waiting to play pickleball.

Pickleball is growing exponentially in popularity as a sport that is easily accessible to players of all ages from youth to seniors. It has many benefits to a community's health and social well-being. When reviewing the communities surrounding Sebastopol, it appears that Sebastopol is the only one to not have provided its community with courts on which to play pickleball. Windsor, Guerneville, Monte Rio, Occidental, Healdsburg, Rohnert Park, Petaluma and Santa Rosa all have public dedicated pickleball courts. Yet, Sebastopol has only the three shared-line pickleball courts at Brook Haven School, which are only available to the public during non-school hours. The City of Sebastopol is apparently not in a financial position to fund courts, although our Association has offered cost-sharing of \$100,000. So, we are turning to the County for help with this important development in our community.

We believe Ragle Park could provide an excellent place for pickleball courts. This would not only improve the park's service to the community, it would also bring in increased park revenue with the court usage. There is an excellent site for the installation of 8-10 pickleball courts at Ragle Park. The site is to the north of the first parking lot between the parking lot and the informal baseball diamond (beyond which are the tennis courts). Please see the attached map. This site is already level; the ground was dry, not soggy, even

during the wettest periods this winter. It is in an area of the park already used for sports purposes, not in the more serene, tranquil areas of the park. Measurements taken of the site show that the baseball diamond's field of 175ft from homeplate to the end of the outfield would be maintained, leaving enough space to the south of the baseball field for the installation of pickleball courts. There may be other potential sites at Ragle Park if this site is not suitable to the County.

Our group is very motivated and would like to work with the County to further the goal of building pickleball courts at Ragle Park.

In response to your question regarding what next steps we'd like to see, we would like to ask that the County review and identify a site in Ragle Park for the installation of pickleball courts, and that the County prioritize funds for the purpose of building pickleball courts in Ragle Park. If necessary, what can be done to reopen/amend the park's masterplan?

Thank you,
Marylou Mileck
Board Member
Sebastopol Pickleball Association
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Ann Carlson Treasurer Sebastopol Pickleball Association

CC: Corbin Johnson, Project Specialist, Sonoma County Regional Parks