

IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO SPEAK DURING PUBLIC COMMENT, PLEASE SEE SPR STAFF TO SIGN UP

Presentation will begin at [placeholder]

Please grab a snack & seat—thank you for joining us!

DRAFT OUTDOOR RACQUET SPORTS STRATEGY

Public Meeting - [placeholder]

AGENDA

- Highlight Key Items from FAQs
- Introduce Draft Strategy
- Outline Potential Next Steps
- Conduct Public Comment Session



PUBLIC COMMENT SESSION

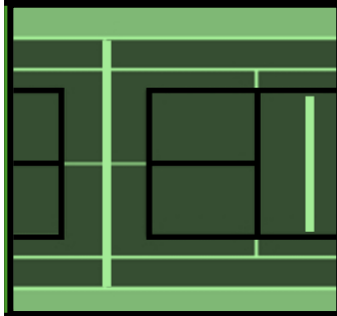
There will not be Q&A—we want to maximize the amount of time people have to provide feedback.

All feedback & questions will be recorded & incorporated into an updated FAQ document that will be posted on the engagement hub the week of May 18th.

ITEMS TO NOTE

- Draft strategy is one potential path to:
 - address frequently reoccurring issues
 - enable open play throughout the city
 - quickly add dedicated courts for both sports
- Feedback will inform final strategy
- Counts presented include courts added in a given year
- Pre-booking through September will be honored
- Final strategy can/will be phased
- Draft strategy will return to BPRC

STRATEGY CONTEXT



**Increase Play Time
for Both Racquet
Sports**



**Streamline
Communication**



Enable Open Play



Plan for Expansion



Add Hubs

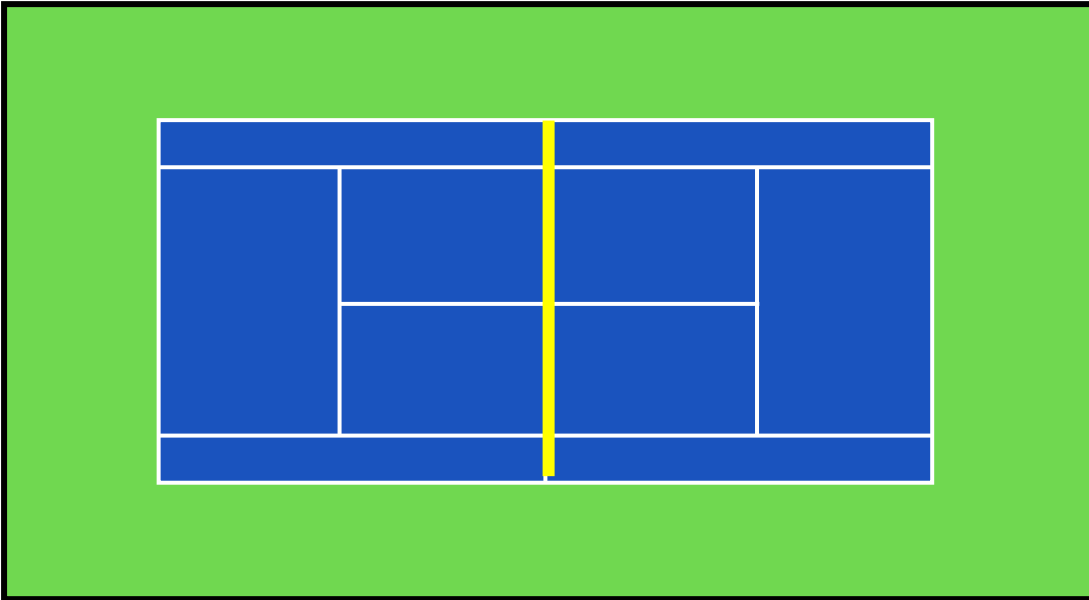
**IMPLEMENTATION: PHASED &
CAN START AS EARLY AS
JUNE 2026**



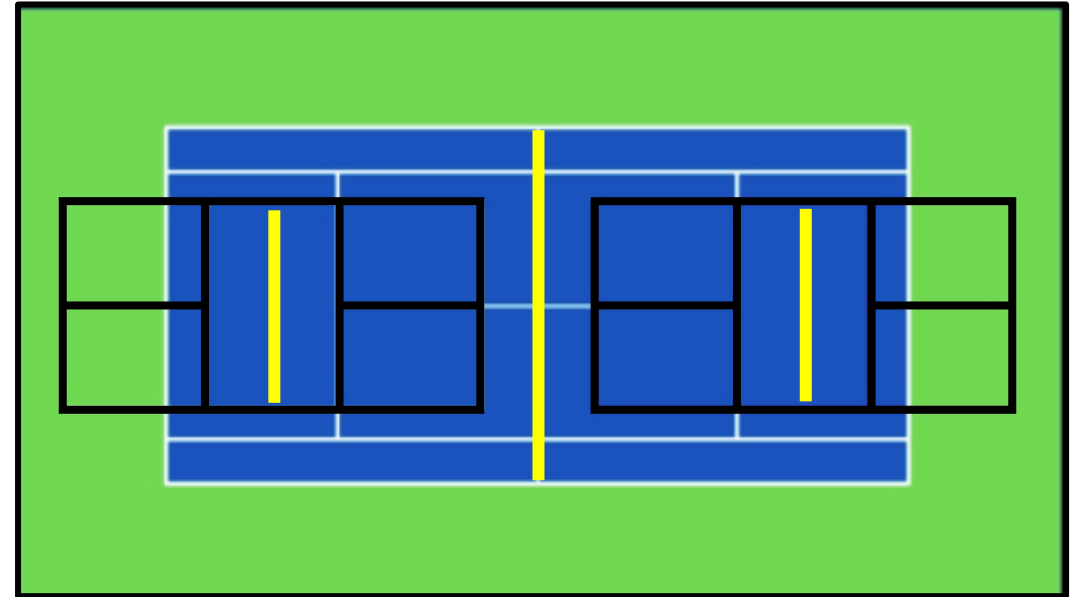
DUAL USE BACKGROUND

Dual striping: an effective initial approach to quickly add a significant number of pickleball courts to an existing system.

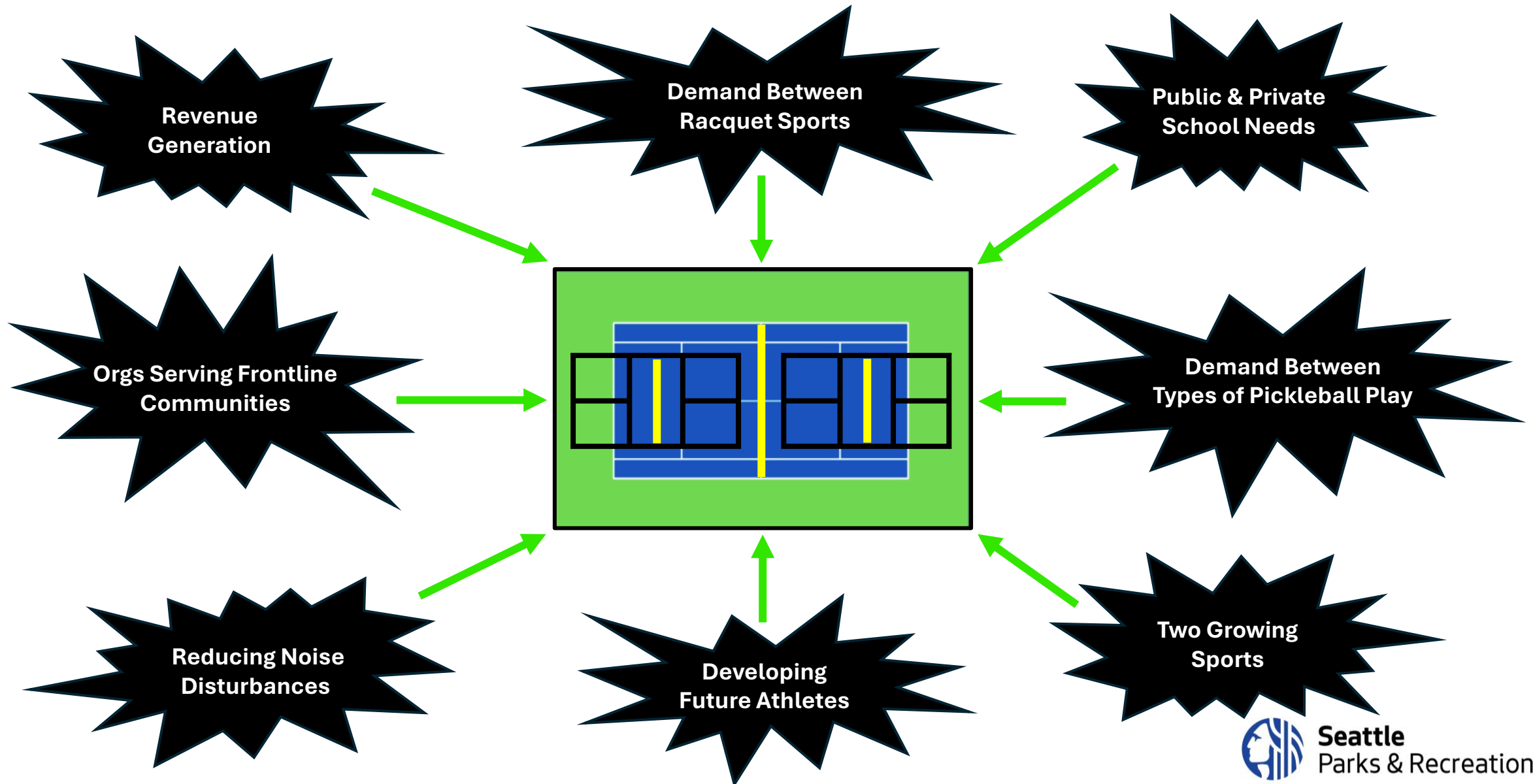
DEDICATED TENNIS



DUAL USE SITE



DUAL USE SITE PRESSURE



STRATEGY CONTEXT



To quickly increase total play time for both sports, the strategy recommends dedicating 18 existing dual use sites for either one racquet sport or the other to reduce the number & variety of pressures on these sites, particularly for pickleball.

CHANGE IN USE – CONSIDERATIONS

Maximizing the use of existing facilities to provide access to both racquet sports for both reserved & drop-in play while taking into consideration:

- school use
- equity priority areas
- historic use
- site conditions
- needs of two sports
- geographic distribution

**Remaining layer of analysis for final recommendations:
PUBLIC FEEDBACK**

END DUAL USE – PROPOSED

PICKLEBALL

1. Beacon Hill Playground
2. Bitter Lake Playfield
3. Dearborn Park
4. Delridge Playfield
5. Discovery Park
6. Georgetown Playfield
7. Kinnear Park
8. Miller Playfield
9. Mt. Baker Park

School use removed, if possible.

TENNIS

1. Alki Playground
2. Brighton Playfield
3. Gilman Playground
4. Rainier Beach Playfield
5. Soundview Playfield
6. Wallingford Playfield
7. Walt Hundley Playfield
8. W. Magnolia Playfield

Pickleball:

Total Part-Time Court Loss:

2026: 32

2027: 20

2028: 8

2029: 7

2031: 1

Total Dedicated Courts: +89

Tennis:

Total Part-Time Court Loss: 20

Total Dedicated Courts: +20

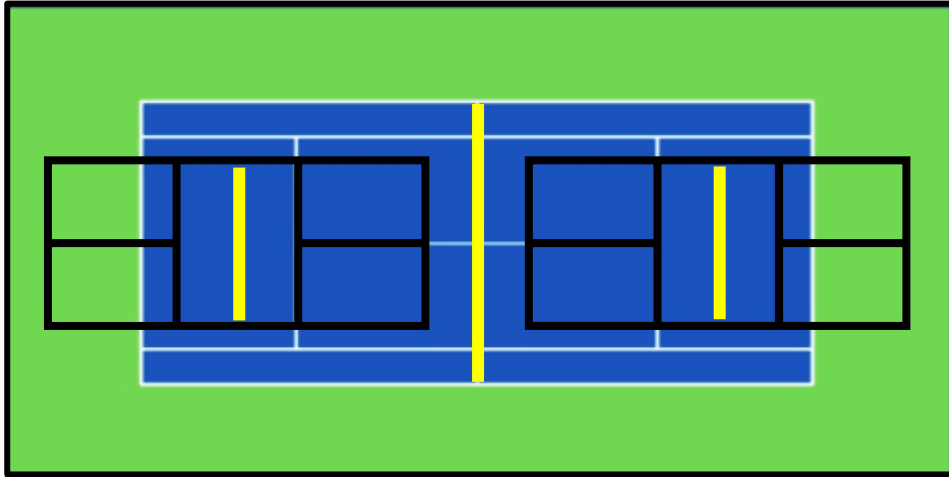
Observatory Courts: Separate Court for Each Sport

SPS-owned Courts: Dual Use Remains

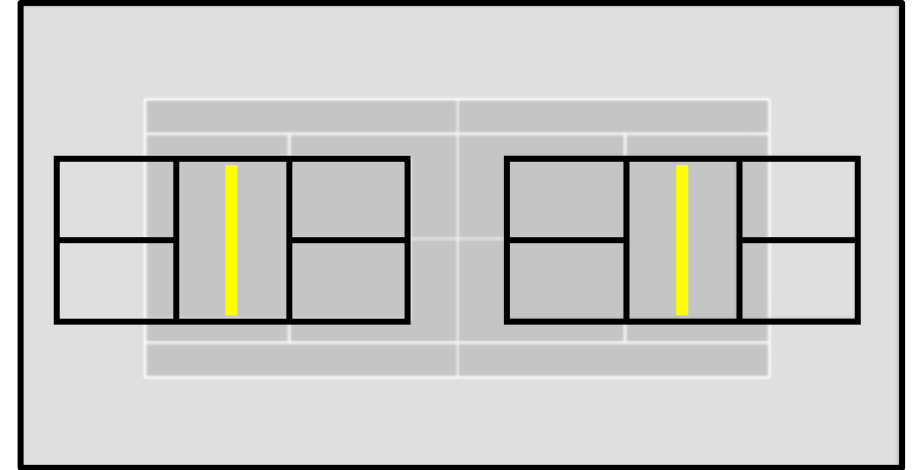


END DUAL USE – PHASE I

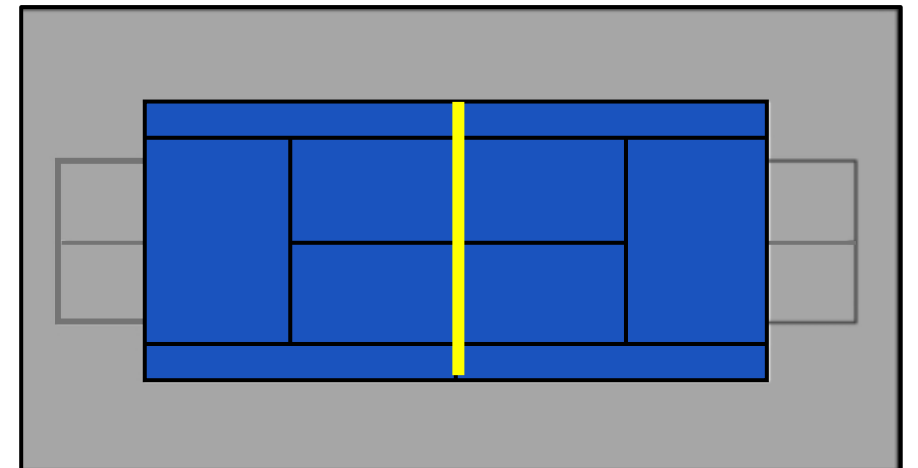
EXISTING DUAL USE SITE



DEDICATED PICKLEBALL



DEDICATED TENNIS



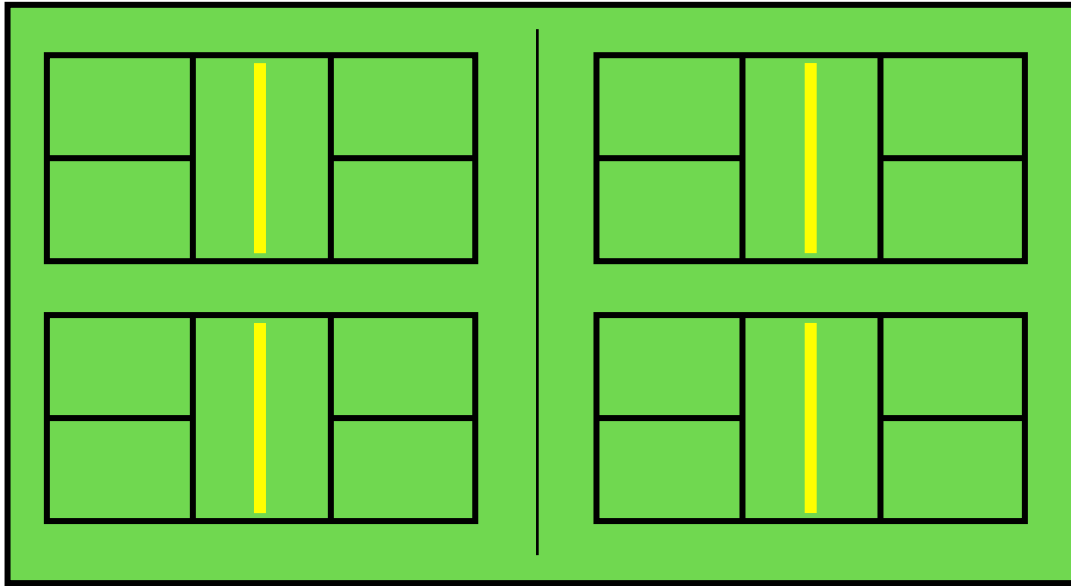
Interim Site Changes

- Dedicated use indication signage
- Reallocate/store nets for removed use
- ActiveNet Changes
- Approved pre-bookings will be honored

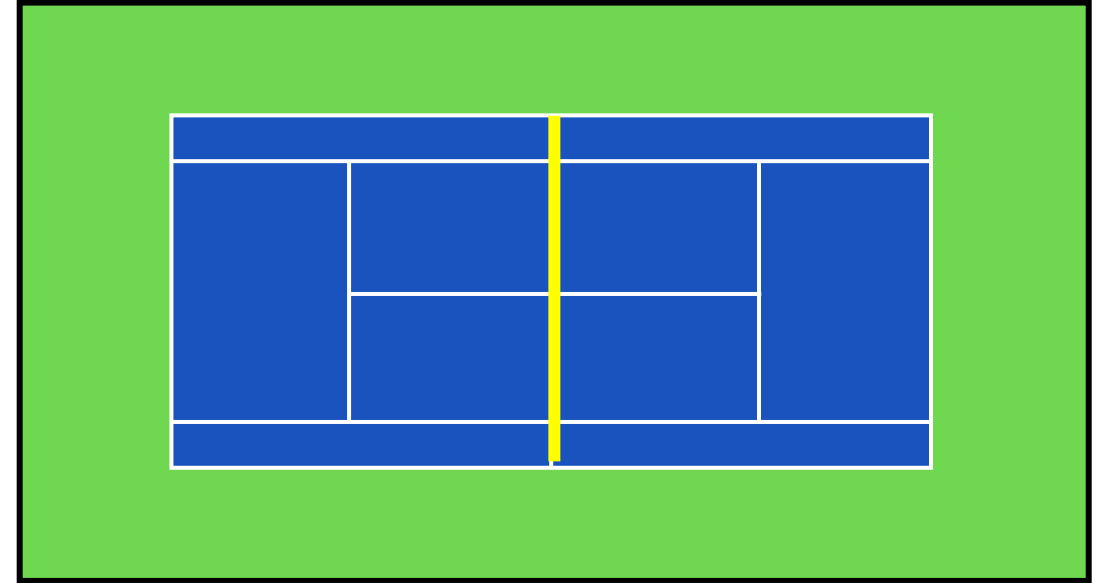


END DUAL USE – PHASE II

DEDICATED PICKLEBALL



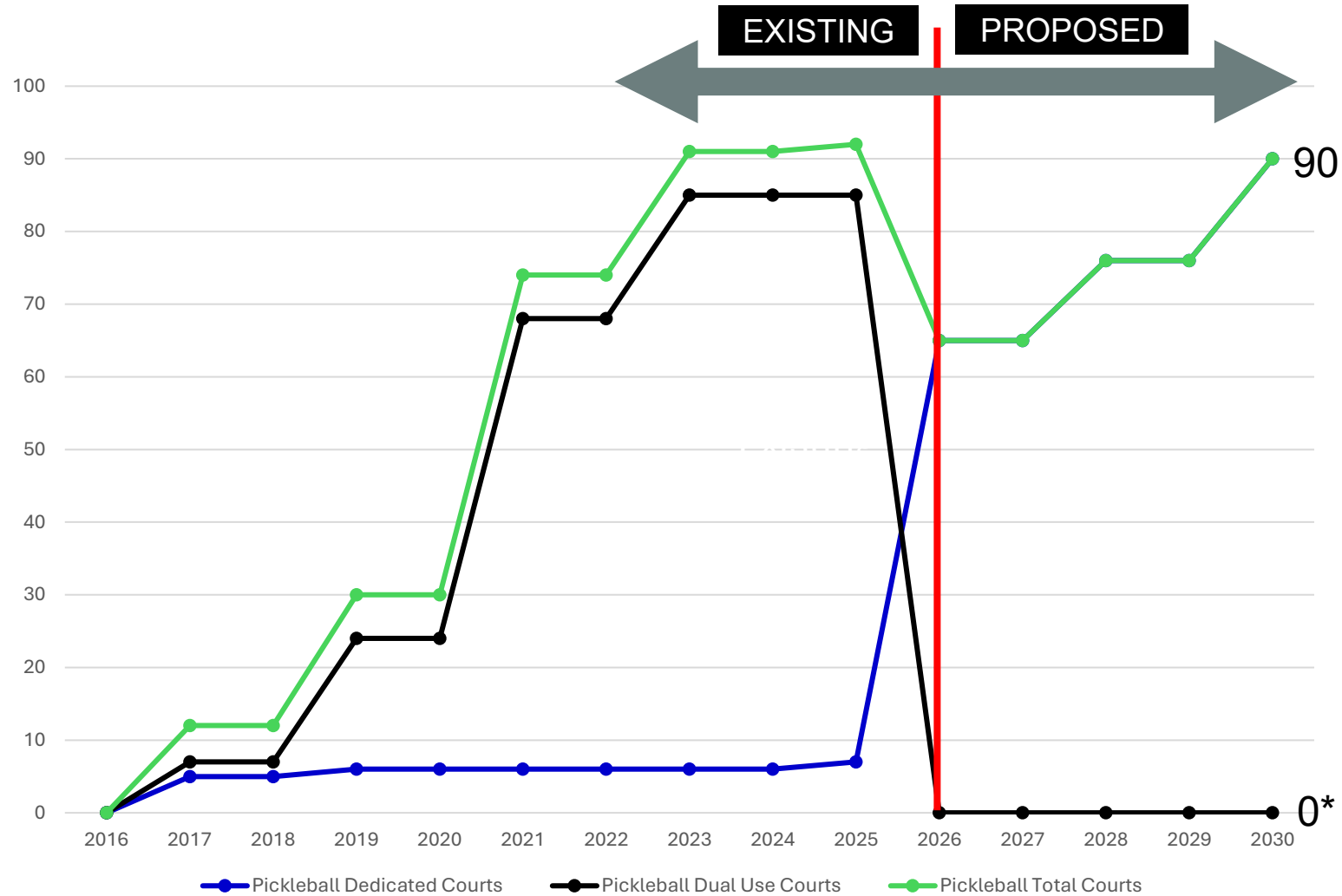
DEDICATED TENNIS



**As courts are due for resurfacing: remove obsolete striping;
if possible, increase court density.**



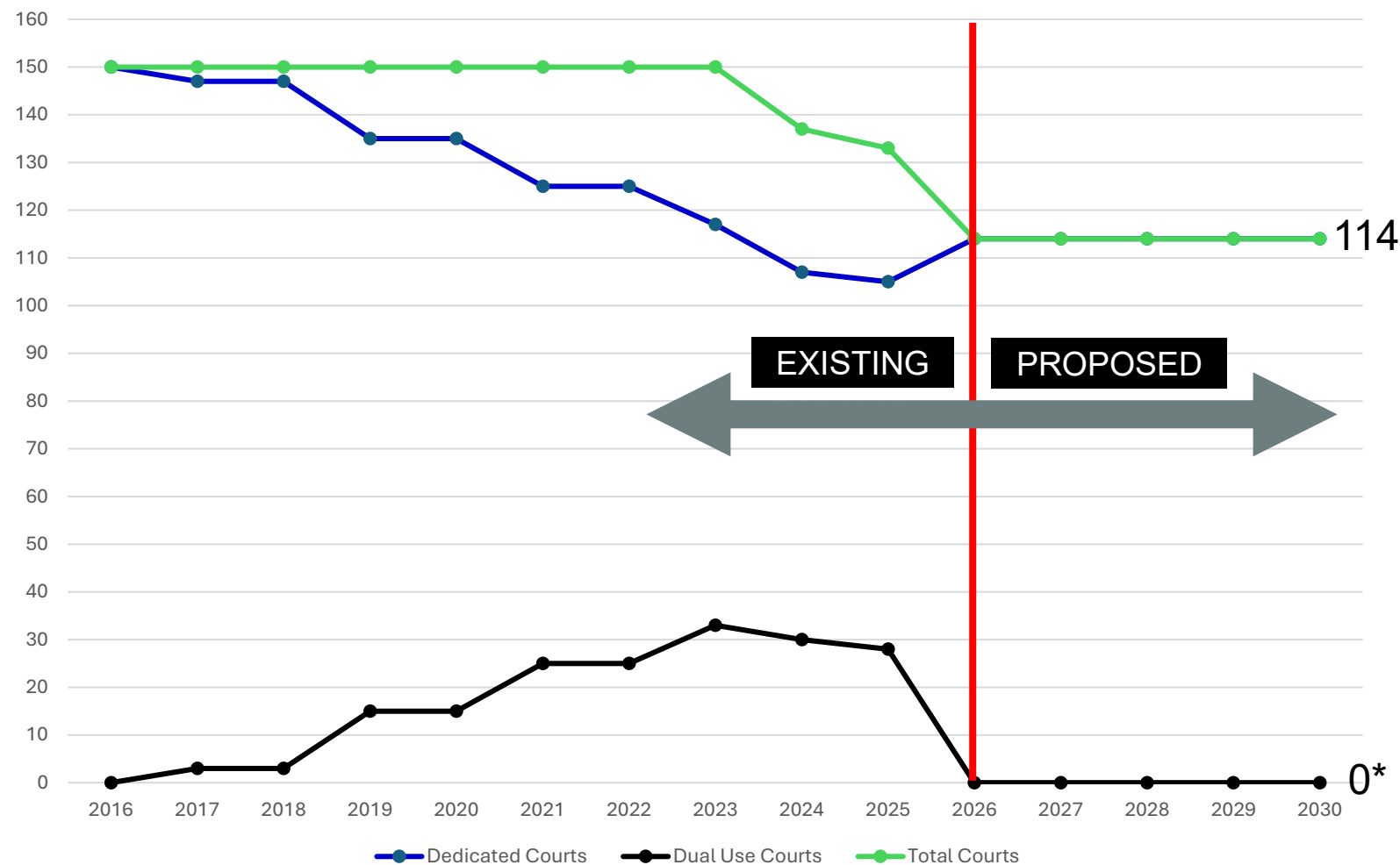
PICKLEBALL COURTS – OVER TIME



*Counts do not include 12 dual use SPS-owned pickleball courts



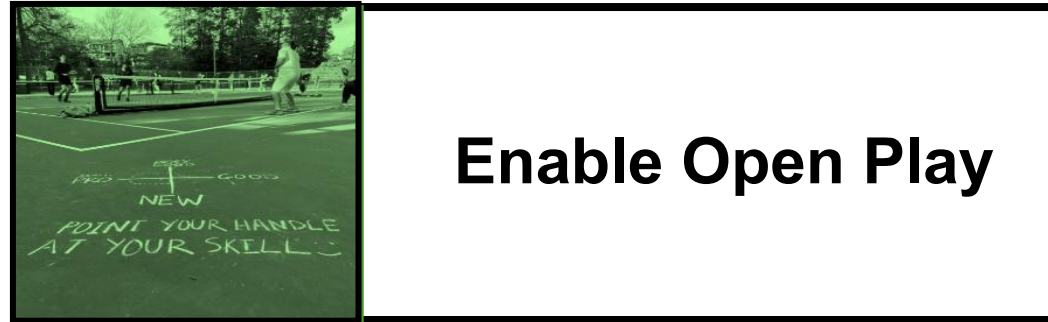
TENNIS COURTS – OVER TIME



*Counts do not include 10 dedicated & 6 dual use SPS-owned tennis courts



STRATEGY CONTEXT



- **Reservation system & pressures on dual use courts do not easily facilitate free, open play.**
- **Open & closed play not compatible at same location; pickleball facilities should be dedicated to one type of play.**
- **For more equitable access, these facilities should be paired & distributed throughout the city.**

TYPES OF PLAY

Open

 Large groups, communal

 Open to new arrivals

 High turn-over rate

 Large blocks of time

Closed

 2 to 4 players

 Pre-organized participants

 Continuous play

 1-2 hours typical



TYPES OF PLAY SITES – PROPOSED

OPEN PLAY ONLY (No Reservation Allowed)		CLOSED PLAY ONLY (Reservation and/or Drop-In Play)	
Georgetown Playfield		Delridge Playfield	Montlake Playfield
Beacon Hill Playground		Dearborn Playfield	Ravenna Park West
Magnuson Park (new)		South Park Playground	Laurelhurst Playfield
Bitter Lake Playfield		Hutchinson Playground	Greenwood Park
Green Lake Park East		Lakeridge Playground	Maple Leaf Park
Discovery Park		Mt Baker Park	Observatory Courts
		Cal Anderson Park	Kinnear Park



STRATEGY CONTEXT

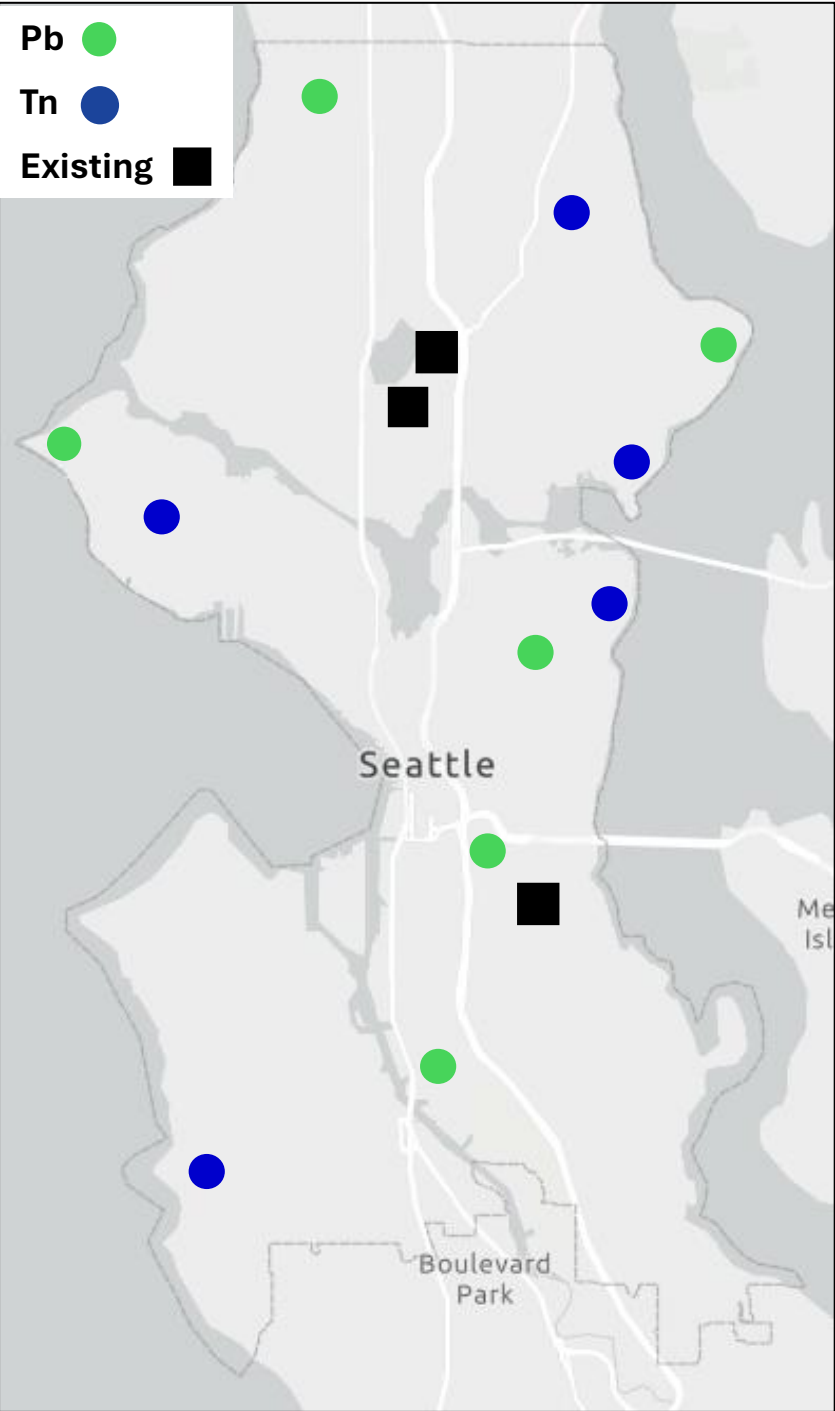


- **Where site conditions support demand**
- **To focus potential future capital investments**
- **Geographically distributed for greatest level of service**
- **For pickleball, designate open play**



ADD HUBS - PROPOSED

Solstice Park	Tennis
Georgetown Playfield	Pickleball
Amy Yee Tennis Center	Tennis
Beacon Hill Playground	Pickleball
Madison Park	Tennis
Miller Playfield	Pickleball
Laurelhurst Playfield	Tennis
Magnuson Park (New)	Pickleball
Meadowbrook Playfield	Tennis
Bitter Lake Playfield	Pickleball
Woodland Park Lower	Tennis
Green Lake East	Pickleball
W Magnolia Playfield	Tennis
Discovery Park	Pickleball



STRATEGY CONTEXT



Streamline Communications

- **Site Conditions: Find it, Fix It app**
- **Reservation Issues: Amy Yee Tennis Center**
- **Long-term Planning: SPR Planning & Capital Development**
- **Hub Issues: Hub Advisory Groups**
- **For Everything Else: Racquet Sports Engagement Hub**



POTENTIAL NEXT STEPS

BASED OFF ENGAGEMENT:

- Additional engagement OR
- Strategy adjusts & present to BPRC for consideration OR
- Strategy remains & returns to BPRC for consideration OR
- Something yet to be revealed...



PUBLIC COMMENT SESSION

WE WANT TO HEAR FROM AS MANY PEOPLE AS POSSIBLE

- Please share feedback/questions not already provided via email/online survey/engagement hub.
- If feedback/question is covered before you, please consider letting the next person go. We can always come back to you.
- Please raise hand when you're the next person on the list.
- You will have 2 minutes to speak—prioritize key pieces.
- Once we get through everyone, we can go through again, if time remains. We must end at [placeholder] sharp.



ENGAGEMENT OPPORTUNITIES

DATE	LOCATION
May 4 th @ 6:30pm	Bitter Lake Community Center
May 7 th @ 7pm	Garfield Community Center
May 9 th @ 10:30 am	Van Asselt Community Center

ONLINE SURVEY LIVE UNTIL MAY 11th @ 3pm

PROVIDE FEEDBACK AT ANY TIME ON PROJECT PAGE

<https://engageseattleparks.com/outdoor-racquet-sports-strategy/rs-engage>