Miami Beach Residents' Pickleball Proposal

- Pickleball is different than tennis, therefore, a tennis model will not work for pickleball. Please
 watch this brief, 3-minute video to learn more about pickleball and the benefits and impact to
 quality of life in other pickleball communities: <u>https://youtu.be/LVSvKsaybDc</u>
 - Pickleball is all about community and we know community supports quality of life
 - In these difficult times people want community more than ever
 - Pickleball is an intergenerational sport that is easy to learn and easy to play
 - Pickleballs court clusters promote an inclusive community connection and social experience
 - Pickleball is a game of approximately 20 minutes. At the end of which you change partners, waiting for your next game by placing a paddle in the rack
 - You may play with different partners and opponents every game
 - You may have never met any of the people before as anyone can walk up and join the open play
 - Community forms organically as you quickly make friends and enhances the quality of life, making pickleball the fastest growing sport.

Pickleball is **social**, it is **community**, it is **inclusive**, it is **active**, it is **fitness**, it is **wholesome**, it is **family**, it is **intergenerational** and **welcoming** to **new players** and **guests** with a **10min lesson**!

Note: Other city's have grasped this fundamental concept of Pickleball and constructed a minimum of 5 pickle courts at central locations, i.e. Hollywood (5), Pompano (7), Plantation (15), Ft Lauderdale (6)



Recommendation	Proposed Enhancement	Budget	Timeline
 Constructing new pickleball-specific facilities within existing City parks and property: Normandy Isle Park – 2 Lighted Flamingo Park – 3 Lighted 	 Normandy Isle Park – 4 Lighted Flamingo Park – 6 Lighted New – Bayshore Park – 8 - 12 Lighted Courts to support growing interest in the young population (Beach High, scholastic sport, etc. 	Normandy Isle Park - \$306,000 – Flamingo - \$459,000 – Total \$765,000 Bayshore and expanding number of courts at Flamingo and Normandy Isle is addition costs, however, would realize savings for scalability in lighting and overall sight work.	Long Term Solution: 12 – 16 months post approval and budgetary securement This may take 2-3 years Estimated overall cost is \$3.1 million dollars to construct 22 proposed, long term dedicated pickleball courts
 2. Purchasing a portable flooring system and activating underutilized spaces throughout the City for temporary activations 4 Portable floor systems 	 Do not recommend this due to inconsistency in ball performance, unreliable surface and most important, player hazard and liability for injury. Reallocate funding as this will not include additional items needed for pickleball, i.e. wind screens, no lights, etc. 	\$188,000	Short Term Solution: 6 – 8 months
3. Striping of one (1) tennis court to create two (2) pickleball courts in Palm Island Park as approved (69% to 31%) by the Palm Island neighborhood association	 Accessible in isolation to the Palm Island Neighborhood; remote proximity and inconvenient to most Miami Beach pickleball residents. How will the portable nets be managed, does this require Park staff administration, dedicated hours, etc. 	\$800	Short Term Solution: what is the timeframe?
4. Dual Purpose (tennis courts lined for Pickleball): Normandy Shores (1), Fairway (2), Polo (1), Golf Course (2)	 Seen as an interim solution and is restrictive to the pickleball model; Create a schedule that must include several dedicated time (3 -4 hour slots) to support the pickleball model for open play outside the first come, first serve existing model 	No costs other than scheduling	Lights added to extend use hours, particularly in summer (heat) and winter (reduced light)
5. New – Expand hours at Scott Rakow and North Shore	 Extend year-round hours to include addition day and evening sessions to accommodate schedules, i.e. summer camp eliminates the morning hours, working, increased demand, etc. 	Staffing and insurance riders	
6. New - Convert two tennis courts (of the 41); one each at Polo Park and the Golf Course or two courts at preferably the Golf Course to create a total of 6 – 8 dedicated Pickleball courts	 This solution provides a dedicated pickleball location to support the pickleball model and would be least costly and supported in the immediate timeframe. This would support each sport having dedicated locations in near term and avoid lining 10 additional tennis courts for dual purpose. 	• Nets: \$2,300 per net, total \$18,400 Labor/material: TBD	Immediate solution and least costly until recommendation 1 is online in 2-3 years