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From: Don Smart [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, October 18, 2023 3:35 PM
To: Planning
Subject: [EXT:]Pickleball in a residential area

Dear Planning Commission,

It is not our intent to restrict the homeowners use of his or her own property, but a Pickleball court is more disruptive than a sport court to its surrounding neighbors. Because you can't control the sounds and the lighting to stay in the property of the Pickleball owner, it infringes on the privacy of the surrounding neighbors. Pickleball is played with a plastic ball hitting against plastic paddle you can hear the noise at 100 feet away reaching 70 dBA violating the city ordinance of 50 dBA. Being in the back yard of neighbors, it will easily exceed 70 dBA because the homes are close together, which causes an echo effect and increases the noise volume. In our backyard a pickleball court is being built 13 feet from our property line. Another major problem with residential pickleball courts is lighting. With the city ordinance of 43,560 lumens per 1 acre and the lot sizes in our neighborhood being less than 1 acre, how can a pickleball court needing 50,000 lumens work in a residential area?

Please consider these major problems by having pickleball courts in residential neighborhoods. Please vote to not allow Pickleball courts in our Cottonwood Heights neighborhoods unless there is a big enough property to have more than 100 feet from all neighbors property lines. Would you like to have a Pickleball court in your backyard with constant noise and blinding lights?

Thanks for your time and consideration

Sincerely,

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