



**OPERATIONS DEPARTMENT  
MEMORANDUM**

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**TO: MAYOR J. LEHMAN AND MEMBERS OF COUNCIL**

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**RE: CONVERSION OF REDPATH HOPSCOTCH/FOURSQUARE COURT TO PICKLEBALL COURT – WARD 3**

**DATE: NOVEMBER 16, 2020**

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The purpose of this Memorandum is to provide members of Council with an update concerning the advancement to 2020 from 2021 of the conversion of the Redpath Park hopscotch and foursquare courts to a second pickleball court.

In August 2020, through motion 20-G-135, staff were requested to review the feasibility and costs associated with the aforementioned court conversion. Operations staff estimate the cost to be under \$10,000 inclusive of the cost to install new nets, posts, and fencing as a backstop for play between the two proposed courts. It is planned that Parks & Forestry staff would complete a significant portion of the work in-house minimizing external costs.

Staff in the Parks & Forestry Branch and Development Services Department jointly recommended this conversion to the Barrie Pickleball Association and the two city councillors assisting the association in the summer of 2020. However, in considering the impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic on the 2020 Parks & Forestry resources, projects and work plan, it is not possible to advance this work into 2020. The funding for the court conversion is included in the 2021 Parks & Forestry base budget and there is sufficient funding to complete the planned work in 2021. It is planned to have the conversion completed before the end of the second quarter of 2021.