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Item No. 15.3.1

Request for Halifax Regional Council's Consideration		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Included on Agenda (Submitted to Municipal Clerk's Office by Noon Thursday)	<input type="checkbox"/> Added Item (Submitted to Municipal Clerk's Office by Noon Monday)	<input type="checkbox"/> Request from the Floor
Date of Council Meeting: November 28, 2023		
Subject: Addressing Castle Hill Pickleball Court Noise		
Motion for Council to Consider: That Halifax Regional Council direct the Chief Administrative Officer (CAO) to provide a staff report and recommendations with respect to the Castle Hill pickleball courts and reducing noise levels for neighbouring residents.		
Reason: The Castle Hill pickleball courts were converted several years ago from existing tennis courts located in a neighbourhood pocket park. The Castle Hill pickleball courts are less than 50 meters from single family homes and multi-unit residences. Pickleball is a louder sport than tennis and residents living near the courts find the noise very disruptive for several months a year. Disputes over pickleball noise are common across North America, and some jurisdictions have established minimum distances of 50-150 meters between pickleball courts and homes. HRM does not have a minimum setback standard for pickleball courts.		
Outcome Sought: To provide council with recommendations for reducing noise from the pickleball courts on Castle Hill Drive, including replacing them with tennis courts or some other recreational feature.		
Councillor Kathryn Morse		District 10