**From:** Jeanette Coffin

**Sent:** Monday, March 22, 2021 3:30 PM

**To:** Ingrid Mast

Cc: Colleen Willger; Phillip Fleischmann; Linda Smith; Allen Buansi; Amy Ryan; Hongbin Gu; Jeanne

Brown; Jess Anderson; Karen Stegman; Michael Parker; Pam Hemminger; Tai Huynh; Amy Harvey; Ann Anderson; Carolyn Worsley; Flo Miller; Laura Selmer; Mary Jane Nirdlinger; Maurice Jones; Rae

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**Subject:** RE: Cedar Falls Park Tennis Courts

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Sincerely,

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**From:** Ingrid Mast [mailto:ismast@students.chccs.k12.nc.us]

Sent: Monday, March 22, 2021 1:54 PM

To: Town Council <mayorandcouncil@townofchapelhill.org>

Cc: Jeanne Brown <jbrown2@townofchapelhill.org>

Subject: Cedar Falls Park Tennis Courts

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Dear Chapel Hill Town Council,

As students from East Chapel Hill High School, we are writing about the condition of the Cedar Falls Park tennis courts. There are only 15 individual public tennis courts at 4 sites serving approximately 80,000 residents of Chapel Hill and 6 of them are in Cedar Falls Park. The team frequently uses these courts; not only during the school tennis season to practice and play school matches, but also throughout the year. We know firsthand that the courts are in very poor condition. There are cracks, grass, mildew, and mold all over the surfaces, making the courts almost unplayable.

We strongly feel that tennis should be a sport that is accessible to everyone, not just those who can afford to play at private clubs. In addition to the East Chapel Hill tennis team, the entire Chapel Hill community could benefit from resurfacing these courts. Tennis is a great sport because it brings people of all ages together, from little kids just learning how to play to elderly people gathering to socialize and get some exercise. We are aware of the limited budget in the town of Chapel Hill, but we feel that this would be a worthwhile investment for our community.

### Respectfully,

The East Chapel Hill Girls Varsity Team.

Ingrid Mast, Maddie Moore, Christina Gao, Elena Shapiro, Asha Sata, Owen Soccorso, Christina Ahn, Hiwot Miller and Jenny Cui

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**Sent:** Thursday, March 25, 2021 10:01 AM

**To:** Jerry Edwards

**Cc:** Phillip Fleischmann; Linda Smith; Allen Buansi; Amy Ryan; Hongbin Gu; Jeanne Brown; Jess Anderson;

Karen Stegman; Michael Parker; Pam Hemminger; Tai Huynh; Amy Harvey; Ann Anderson; Carolyn Worsley; Flo Miller; Laura Selmer; Mary Jane Nirdlinger; Maurice Jones; Rae Buckley; Ran Northam;

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**From:** Jerry Edwards [mailto:jrechill@gmail.com]

Sent: Thursday, March 25, 2021 8:25 AM

To: Town Council <mayorandcouncil@townofchapelhill.org>

Subject: Please vote for 2/3rds bonds

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Hi.

I wrote before regarding the maintenance needed on the town's tennis courts and glad there is an effort to acquire funds for Parks and Rec. As stated before, a net was removed at one tennis court at Ephesus and we have been unable to get lights fixed. I strongly support a vote for the 2/3 rds bond and as recommended by the commission and hope the money will be used to restore the courts at Ephesus park.

Thank you, Jerry Edwards 416 Highview Dr, Chapel Hill, NC 27517 e-mail: <u>jrechill@gmail.com</u>

**From:** Jeanette Coffin

**Sent:** Thursday, March 25, 2021 10:02 AM

**To:** Siming Mu

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From: Siming Mu [mailto:simingmu@yahoo.com] Sent: Wednesday, March 24, 2021 7:56 PM

To: Town Council <mayorandcouncil@townofchapelhill.org>

Subject: Support for 2/3 Bonds

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Dear Mayor and Town Councils:

I am writing this email to urge you to support the Two-Thirds Bonds to Fund Parks and Recreation, Public Safety, and Streets and Sidewalks Projects in the Capital Improvements Plan (CIP). As an avid tennis player, I have seen the tennis courts in Ephesus and Cedar Falls deteriorating over the last few years due to lack of maintenance. They have become a disgrace to this beautiful town. I sincerely hope you put these improvements on the top of your agenda.

Thank you very much for your time!

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**From:** Jeanette Coffin

**Sent:** Thursday, March 25, 2021 10:03 AM

**To:** Diane Willis

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From: Diane Willis [mailto:willis.dc@gmail.com]
Sent: Wednesday, March 24, 2021 5:22 PM

To: Town Council <mayorandcouncil@townofchapelhill.org>

Subject: 2/3rds bonds for Parks and Rec

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Greetings Mayor Hemminger and Council Members,

I would like to put in an enthusiastic word in favor of the 2/3rds bonds that will be used in part to fund tennis court improvements at Hargraves Park, Cedar Falls Park, and Ephesus Park (where I usually play), as well as other parks and recreation facilities.

This past year has shown a spotlight on the need for open spaces, breathing room, parks, trails, recreation facilities, and places to exercise outdoors. Not only are these sorts of things "nice" to have, but they are also necessary for all of our

well-being and mental health. During this horrible pandemic our tennis and other outdoor facilities have gotten increased use, demonstrating how vital these are.

As a tennis player for most of my life, I am particularly interested in the tennis courts, of which we have too few in Chapel Hill and very little maintenance of what we do have. Over the nearly 30 years I've lived here, I actually cannot remember a time that we did not have to beg the town to fix glaring problems with the tennis courts, from cracks and holes in the surfacing, to burned out lights, to broken nets and windscreens, to asking for our backboard to be replaced at Ephesus --- something that has been overlooked since the last one rotted years ago and I guess got forgotten.

Promises come and go unfulfilled, and with large cracks in the tennis courts as well as spider cracks that hold the water like a sponge, eventually the courts become unplayable. Taxpayers should not have to be forced to join an expensive club in order to play their sport because the Town neglects to maintain its own facilities.

I encourage you to pass these 2/3rds bonds and use the parks and recreation funds for the projects that you've listed, including regular maintenance of the facilities. I look forward to necessary repairs on the Ephesus Tennis Courts with all due speed because you've actually reduced our court numbers to only 3 now (of the 6 we had) by removing a net because one of the many cracks was deemed too dangerous! The weather is warming up and the demand for these courts is great!

Thank you.

Diane Chapman Willis, 411 Landerwood Ln., Chapel Hill, NC 27517