



GEORGIA DEPARTMENT
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Parks and Rec Pickle: How to Plan for Popular Pickleball





Where are you on your pickleball journey?

① The Slido app must be installed on every computer you're presenting from

Agenda

Pickleball Prep (APA)

Community overview Cedartown

Community Overview Towns County

The ask

Partnerships

The technical

The advice

Where do we go from here?

Q&A

Pickleball prep (American Planning Association)

01

A single strike can be 20 dB louder than tennis. Up to 900 times per hour per court. Sounds are in the range where human hearing is most sensitive.

02

Whisper paddles-foam balls.

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03

Setbacks-less than 250 feet have low success rates. Zoning for city-owned and courts within housing developments, country clubs, and the backyards of private residences.

04

Limiting hours and days of plan. (no games after 6 pm or on Sundays or holidays.)

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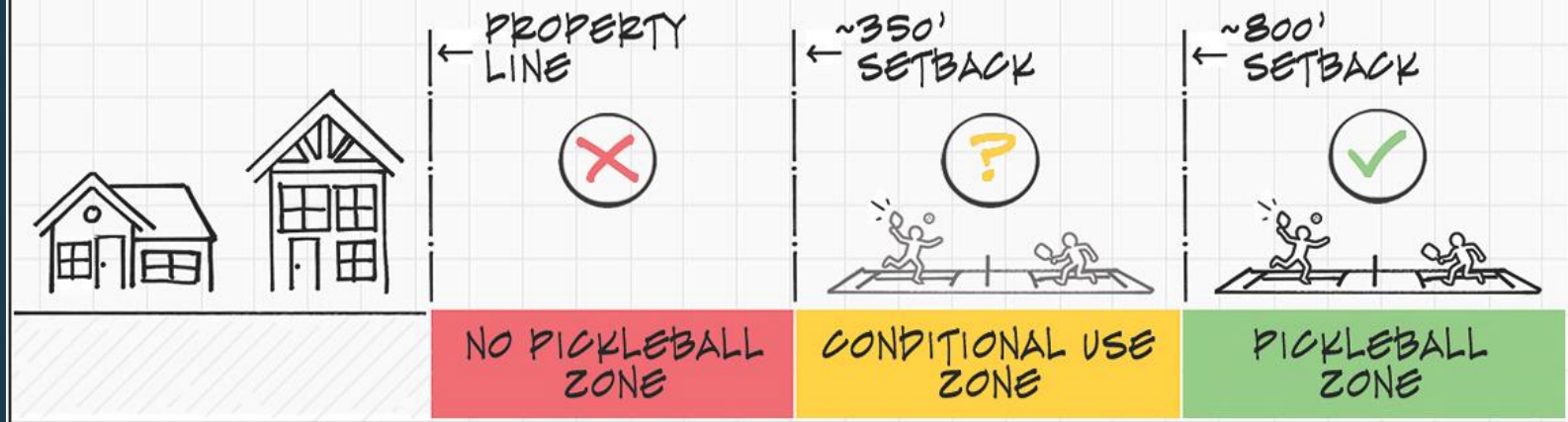
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AcoustiFence panels.

Noise still goes over the top-impacting two-story homes, barriers are expensive, require maintenance, block visibility



THREE-TIER PICKLEBALL ZONING SOLUTION





Cedartown



Towns County

Towns County Comprehensive Plan-Planned for Pickleball

Towns County Joint Comprehensive Plan, 2021

Towns County Work Program

ACTION DESCRIPTION	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026	RESPONSIBLE DEPARTMENT	ESTIMATED COST	FUNDING SOURCES
Jail upgrade	X	X				County Commissioner	\$200,000	General Fund
Wayfinding Signage	X					County Commissioner	\$80,000	General Fund
Implement broadband technology committee	X					County Commissioner	NA	NA
Develop & Implement GICH strategy	X					County Commissioner	TBD	TBD
Implement BOE Capital Improvement Projects	X					County/Board of Education	TBD	ESPLOST
Contract for traffic management plan to include the need for road signs and traffic lights	X					County Gov't	TBD	County Budget
Build pickle ball pavilion & restroom		X				County Commissioner	\$60,000	Gen. Fund & Pickle Ball Donations

Panel



Advice

01

Bring in your leadership early.

02

Build a relationship with the local pickleball club- maintain and grow relationships so communications flow respectfully and organized.

03

Look at your zoning ordinance-consider if setbacks need to be considered.

04

Be creative with funding!

- Georgia Outdoor Stewardship Program (GOSP)
- Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWFC)

Q&A

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