

Public Comment on Administrative Review Permit
and Administrative Coastal Development Permit
Application: RP 2017-0014 / CDP 2017-0070 (DEV15049)
St. Michael's By-The-Sea Pickleball Court
Location 2775 Carlsbad Boulevard
APN: 203-143-07-00

Attn:

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I am writing in full support of the project and advocating to allow for continuing existing pickleball use, with no modifications or limitations. The pickleball community at St. Michael's is a wonderful part of the Village Community and it is a fantastic and compatible provisional use to Land District 9 "Tourism Support Area."

St. Michael's church is a Carlsbad institution, in which they publicly advocate to welcome both tourists and residents into worship:

"Whether you're in town for a week at the beach or a local pilgrim on a spiritual journey, St. Michael's by-the-Sea welcomes you!"

Further, St. Michael's proclaims "In an era where churches are looking for innovative ways to attract members and build community, pickleball is a natural extension for St Michael's, and a perfect fit for Carlsbad's active lifestyle:" St. Michael's worship and community for all naturally extends to Pickleball, stating "Pickleball is for everyone! A social game that appeals to both the novice and competitive player, pickleball is a unique multi-generational sport. A healthy, low-impact activity that nurtures the building of relationships and community. Form new friendships, enjoy friendly competition and get your heart racing. All situated on the beautiful St. Michael's by-the-Sea campus located in heart of the Carlsbad Village."

Pickleball brings wonderful people together, in the heart of the Village, to laugh, play and make new friends. It is a truly unique experience wherein residents and tourists come together. We have folks who visit Carlsbad to play pickleball, and we have folks become part of the pickleball community because they stumbled across our open and welcoming courts and decided to try it out. The community is kind, thoughtful and tries at all times to be fantastic neighbors to those that live and work around us. We frequent local businesses, have friended residents across the street and down the block. We love being a part of Carlsbad!

I am a visitor to Carlsbad each year. I come for the weather and the friendly atmosphere that Carlsbad provides. Since St. Michael's has opened their pickleball courts, we have become a part of that community. They welcomed us and made us feel like part of their family. Now when we consider where to spend our winters, St. Michael's makes the difference in choosing Carlsbad over other appealing destinations. I enthusiastically request for full issuance of the administrative review permit, to allow for all existing use, and for the St. Michael's community to continue the tradition of pickleball for generations to come.

Signature

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