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Parks and Recreation Give Update on Iselin Court Project

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Aspen, Colo. – Friday, March 10, 2023 –. The City of Aspen provides an update to Aspen Pickleball and Tennis Communities on the Iselin Courts improvement project.

To date, we have accomplished several key tasks to move from ideation to implementation on this project.

- Our contracted design and engineering team has been working diligently and we are now approaching the final stages of permit level drawings, with the final construction documentation to follow.
- The City has been working on securing land use approval that requires review by both the City Council and Planning and Zoning.

Although we had initially hoped to begin construction this year, factors have shifted the construction timeline to 2024 for several reasons. Firstly, there is a shortage of contractors with the availability to take on a complex project like the Iselin Courts. Waiting until 2024 will help us secure the right contractor for the job. Secondly, due to challenging soil conditions and thoughtful recommendations from our city engineering team, some rework of the site engineering was required. While this has taken some extra time, it will result in a better project. Lastly, the land use approval process is complex and requires the review and approval of City Council and Planning and Zoning. These steps are critical and must be completed correctly, which takes time.

While the construction timeline is now scheduled for 2024, the Aspen Pickleball and Tennis Community will be able to continue to enjoy their season and existing amenities. We will also be hosting a Summer Kickoff event on May 24th at 11am-12pm to review the final drawing, give a project update and answer any questions. For questions and comments, please visit <u>aspencommunityvoice</u>.

Thank you for being part of the pickleball and tennis communities.