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Monterey Councilmember Timothy Barrett to Hold Pickleball and Re-Election Campaign Rally on Saturday, October 6, 2018 at Via Paraiso

September 2018. Monterey, CA. Save the date and let's "rally" (pun intended!) for Timothy Barrett's Re-Election Campaign for Monterey City Council at this upcoming fun "Pickleball and Re-Election Campaign Rally".

At a Glance:

What: Pickleball 'n' Barrett: A Rally and Pickleball Challenge for the Re-Elect Barrett for Monterey City Council Campaign

This free family-friendly event will include a pickleball demo and mini-lessons by Monterey Bay Pickleball Club members, light refreshments, a drawing for a new pickleball paddle, and comments by City of Monterey Vice Mayor Timothy Barrett. Meet and greet Timothy Barrett and discuss local issues, including affordable housing and rent, livable wage jobs, neighborhood traffic, investing in parks ...and pickleball!

Why:

Timothy Barrett is a strong advocate for public parks and fitness programs. He brought the Healthy Eating, Active Living Campaign (HEAL) to the City of Monterey which establishes high standards for public access to parks, exercise equipment and healthy foods. HEAL also brings opportunities for grant funding to support investment in parks and recreation.

When: Saturday, October 6, 2018 from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 pm.

11:00 a.m. See final rounds of Monterey Bay Pickleball Club Challenge play

11:30 a.m. Play pickleball with Barrett? Try a pickleball mini-lesson if desired.

12:00 p.m. Meet and greet City of Monterey Vice Mayor Timothy Barrett and listen to brief remarks and ask questions.

Enjoy light refreshments.

1:00 p.m. Prize drawing for pickleball paddle.

Where: Pickleball/Tennis courts at Via Paraiso Park, 129 Via Paraiso, Monterey, CA 93940.

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About Pickleball

Pickleball is a fast-paced increasingly popular game (typically 10-12 minutes) involving volleys at the net and ground strokes similar to tennis played as doubles (2 players per team) or singles (1 player per team). Anyone, at any age, can play and compete well since strategy is key. It is a fun sport that combines many elements of tennis, badminton and ping-pong. Pickleball paddles have an aluminum core and a graphite surface, and are approximately 16 inches long and 8" wide. The game is played with a unique ball, with holes through it like a whiffle ball. Players mix up their shots by using overhead smashes, drives, lobs, and drop shots. Pickleball had three inventors, Joel Pritchard, William Bell, and Barney McCallum, who developed the game in 1965 on an old badminton court. Pickles was the Pritchard's family dog that would chase after the errant balls and then hide in the bushes, thus it was named Pickle's ball, which was later shortened to the name Pickle-Ball. A complete set of the game's rules can be found at www.usapa.org. For more information about the sport of pickleball and the Monterey Bay Pickleball Club, go to <http://montereypickleball.com>.

About City of Monterey Vice Mayor Timothy Barrett

Vice Mayor and Monterey City Councilmember Timothy Barrett is known for getting diverse groups of people working together. His 'roll up your sleeves' style makes him a 'go-to' guy for getting things done in the community. Timothy's current initiatives include the Neighborhood Housing Fund, to stimulate the development of affordable, local workforce housing; the Community Responses to Elder Care Symposium, for the engagement, education and empowerment of citizen problem solvers to address the needs of the elderly; Slow Money Monterey, to bring community directed investment toward environmentally sustainable local businesses, and the Local Preference Initiative, to stimulate local economic development through increased circulation of public dollars into the community.

Additionally, Timothy is Council representative to the Monterey Peninsula Chamber of Commerce, the Council of Monterey Business Associations, the Cannery Row Business Association and the North Fremont Business Association. He serves on the Board of Monterey One Water which is developing the Pure Water Monterey project to provide a new source of water to the community, the Lead Me Home Coalition which provides support and oversight of the Coalition of Homeless Services Providers, and the Oversight Board to the Successor Agency of the Monterey City Redevelopment Agency, which directs funding toward Community Development Block Grant programs for low income housing and services to homeless.

Before his election to the Monterey City Council, Timothy worked with many local nonprofit organizations and participated in a broad spectrum of civic activities. He was a founding board member of the Walk and Roll Foundation, which was established to

assist those with spinal cord injuries. He was two-time chair of the Monterey Bay Chapter of CATESOL, a teacher's association that focuses on ongoing training and development, and he was chair of the MPC Symposium Working Group, which initiated a regional community of action in regard to homelessness and poverty.

Timothy holds a Bachelor's degree in International Studies, a Master's degree in Instructional Science and Technology and a teaching certificate but acknowledges his real education came from working with people.

According to Timothy, who was elected to the Monterey City Council in November 2014 and is currently Vice Mayor, "Our community is blessed with a knowledgeable, compassionate and involved electorate. The answers to the challenges we face can be found among us. Issues like workforce housing, livable wage-paying jobs, senior care and supporting a diverse, vibrant business community unite us."

For more information, go to www.electbarrett.org or call (831) 277-9505.