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### Event Details:

- Date: 10/1
- Time: 12-1pm
- Location: Fred Lindstrom Park (686 Niagara Ave.)

**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**  
**September 20, 2023**

## **CITY OF ASTORIA ANNOUNCES RIBBON CUTTING CEREMONY FOR UPGRADED PICKLEBALL, TENNIS, AND BASKETBALL COURTS AT FRED LINDSTROM PARK**

We are pleased to announce the grand re-opening of the new and improved courts at Fred Lindstrom Park on October 1 at 12pm!

Sports Serve Astoria, a local group dedicated to improving recreational activities in our community, spearheaded a fundraising effort that provided over \$60,000 to complete this project. More than 50 local businesses, individuals and nonprofit organizations contributed to Sports Serve Astoria's campaign, including major donations from Columbia Memorial Hospital, The Edith Henningsgaard Fund for Astoria, Snow Family Fund of Oregon Community Foundation and Oregon Sports Action. Friends of local tennis player Steve Mansfield provided funds to revitalize the tennis court as a tribute to his passion for the sport. The Astoria Community Foundation was invaluable to the fundraising effort, tracking and managing incoming contributions and distributing funds to the City of Astoria in order to implement the work.

In addition to the pickleball and tennis courts, the basketball court has been upgraded thanks to support from a generous donation by the Linder-Cho family's Hiram Cho Memorial Fund. The Linder-Cho's gift is in honor of Hiram Cho, a local Astoria resident and neighbor of the park, who grew up playing basketball on the court and later watched his own children and their friends enjoy games there as well.

All work was completed by Pacific Ace LLC, a family-owned contractor out of Vancouver, Washington who specializes in sport court re-surfacing and construction.

The City of Astoria is honored to receive this amazing community support that has greatly improved Fred Lindstrom Park and a ceremony to officially open the courts and thank all involved will be held on October 1<sup>st</sup> at 12pm. The event will be hosted by the Mayor and members of the City Council, representatives from Sports Serve Astoria and their many donors, family members of Hiram Cho, and City staff.