Hello Mayor Godeke,

A few months back, at the Farmer's market, knowing the financial pressures every town is under, I floated an idea past you about a partnership between we citizens and the city to pay for a pair of outdoor ping-pong tables, and putting them in the paved 50' x 25' space just south of the basketball court in Bainbridge park.

My research since then has put me in touch with many manufacturers. In my opinion, the best option is for steel tables rather than cement because of cost and transport issues. I found a company called <u>bestoutdoorpingpongtables.com</u> that sells the "Cornilleau 510" table for \$2,200, which comes with a 10 year warranty. The reviews for this table are very good.

Their warehouse in SoCal will not bring the tables all the way to Fort Bragg, but will deliver to Santa Rosa —for free! I'd think it possible to arrange final delivery from Santa Rosa to here (each table weighs 190 lbs and come in a box) even if it means my renting a U-haul and doing it myself.

I continue to research better possibilities, but after many discouraging weeks of looking into \$6-7k cement tables, the prospect of steel tables gives me hope that such an arrangement is fiscally and logistically possible.

My interest and efforts are rooted in many discussions with local ping pong enthusiasts for 4-5 years, wishing for a public place to play. And I do love the idea of a city-public arrangement to pay for this.

My question at this time is would Fort Bragg be willing to spend \$2,200 plus tax and maybe some extra \$ somewhere (maybe not) in order to obtain 2 new, steel outdoor ping pong tables?

Your serve.

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