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Here's another complaint that Zac didn't put in the packet:

Does the Baseline group fulfill a need in the city, like many of the other groups you mentioned, such as scouting, baseball, softball, etc. do?

To grow tennis, one needs to have a junior development program. The current professionals do this, and are qualified to do so. They have clinics, not only for juniors, but also for adults who are trying to improve their tennis. They are the ones certified to do so. They will teach good habits in tennis.

The Baseline group does not fulfill this need. Nor does it have an exclusive on getting people set up with comparable players, with professionals who give lessons, or anything else. All tennis players who have any experience know the pros and know how people can get hold of them. If this does not seem to be enough, the city could put up a flyer listing the names and contact information for all the certified teaching pros. Baseline group is superfluous.

So, the Baseline group does not fulfill any city need. Does the tennis community need a group of privileged players who can reserve courts while others cannot? Absolutely not! What's fair for the rest of us is fair for the Baseline group.

For instance, this morning they were on three courts from about 8:30 on. They did not need reservations, nor should they need