



TO: Board of Architectural Review  
 FROM: Leslie Herman, Director Parks & Recreation  
 DATE: January 30, 2026  
 RE: Caffi Field Pitching Lane Area Fencing – rev. 2

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The Vienna Girls Softball League (VGSL) has requested that the Town install vinyl-coated chain link fenced enclosures around the existing pitching lanes located between Cherry Street and the brick storage facility adjacent to Caffi Field #1. The request is driven by a recent safety incident in which a young child entered the pitching area and was struck in the eye socket by a softball.

The proposed improvement includes installation by Long Fence of a black vinyl-coated chain link enclosure measuring approximately 40 feet wide by 58 feet long by 12 feet tall. The fencing material and finish would be consistent with the existing fencing at Caffi Field and Waters Field. The enclosure would contain four (4) pitching lanes.

Each pitching lane will include a 24-inch-wide pitching rubber, positioned with four (4) feet of clearance from the fence on either side to enhance safety, particularly for catchers. Pitching rubbers will be installed as permanent fixtures, with adjustable pitching plates to accommodate age-appropriate pitching distances (35', 40', and 43').

Class and SPS Framework Elements - End posts 3", Line Posts 2.5, Railings 1 5/8  
 Salvage option – knuckle knuckle  
 Wire gauge - 8 core 9 gauge commercial.

Project components include:

- 196 LF of 12' Fence
- 2—8'x4' Man Gates
- 4—8'x10' Gates—2—20' wide openings with transom

VGSL has requested that the fencing be installed prior to the start of the Spring 2026 season (April 2026).