



**Des Moines Pool Metropolitan Park District
22015 Marine View Drive South**

July 25, 2017
5:00 p.m. Special Meeting
District Offices

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL

President Overmyer called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. Present were Commissioners, Dusenbury, Kasnick, and Martinson; Ron Vine from Ron Vine and Associates; teleconferencing with Keith Hayes and Carmen Arriaga-Bucher; Ken Ballard from Ballard King; DGM Deschenes and District Clerk Linda Ray. Commissioner Dusenbury moved to excuse Commissioner Kuehnoel who was absent; Commissioner Kasnick 2nd. Passed 4-0.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE -- Commissioner Kasnick led the flag salute.

ADOPTION / MODIFICATION OF AGENDA – None

ANNOUNCEMENTS, PROCLAMATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS – None

PUBLIC COMMENT – None

PRESENTATIONS BY RON VINE AND BRS

Ron Vine reported on results of the statistically valid survey. 300 surveys were received and were analyzed by cross tabulation.

65% of respondents used the pool in the last two years for free swim, lap swim, water fitness and lessons. Not an untypical response for an aquatic center.

6% of respondents rated the condition of the pool at excellent, 92% rated as good or fair. Mr. Vine stated that if the facility was newer we might expect a 40% rating as excellent. It was commented that the general public might rate a facility as excellent only based on what is in the immediate area.

In addressing a future vision for the facility, some features could be used in conjunction with others creating an amenity vs feature scenario. Lap lanes used for exercise constitute what the pool is most used for. Features used by children under the age of 18 are recreational in orientation, while features for adults rate fitness and therapeutic at the top of the list.

Frequency of usage based on programming features is what is most important to household and represents 71% of fairly frequent users.

Those surveyed asked for a central location with a combination aquatic center and competition pool.

When asked for preferred way of paying to use a new facility, 1/3 of those surveyed said they would commit to an annual pass; and when asked how they would prefer to pay for a new facility, the majority responded through user fees and taxes.

It was noted that exercise is a driver of the facility. Water slides and like amenities are preferred by the under 18 age group.

A therapeutic pool with warmer water got high marks, but was less important than play features.

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When asked if some individuals may not be aware of certain features available for facilities, Ken Ballard answered, yes. Exercise is important for age groups 35-65 and the choice skews towards therapeutic for 55+ age groups. Mt. Ballard noted that there were no wake-up calls presented in this survey.

It was noted that although adults were answering most of the questions on the survey, they were also answering for the children of the household. While budget might restrict features like a rock wall, there was a significant range for taxes that individuals are willing to pay. 61% said they would pay at least something.

President Overmyer said that she has contacted King County on some financing options. There could be interest in establishing the pool facility as an emergency shelter, but that information may not be available until after the survey.

It would cost close to \$50M to make the pool a useable facility today. The Board feels the cost to upgrade and maintain will be continuous without cost recovery due to the age of the pool.

It was mentioned that a rise in levy money ties into an individual's choice of programming features and that each program feature has a different cost. Features would affect how much more individuals would pay instead of the choice of each feature itself.

UPCOMING MEETINGS –

- July 26, 2017, 3:00 p.m., Workshop #3, Des Moines Yacht Club
- July 26, 2017, 6:30 p.m., Public Meeting #2, Des Moines Yacht Club
- August 1, 2017, 5:00 p.m., Special Meeting, District Offices

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the Special Meeting was adjourned at 6:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Linda Ray, District Clerk

Des Moines Pool District Board of Commissioners


Commissioner Kuehnoel


Commissioner Martinson


Commissioner Kashick


Commissioner Overmyer


Commissioner Dusenbury


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