

**DES MOINES POOL METROPOLITAN PARK DISTRICT
KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON**

RESOLUTION NUMBER 2025 - 11

PUBLIC GIFTING OF PTSA SWIMS

A RESOLUTION OF THE DES MOINES POOL METROPOLITAN PARK DISTRICT AUTHORIZING THE PUBLIC GIFTING OF COMMUNITY SWIM EVENTS (“PTSA SWIMS”) TO ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS LOCATED WITHIN THE CITIES OF DES MOINES AND NORMANDY PARK, WASHINGTON

WHEREAS, the Des Moines Pool Metropolitan Park District (“District”) operates the Mount Rainier Pool, a public aquatic facility dedicated to promoting water safety, health, and recreation for all residents; and

WHEREAS, the District recognizes that early exposure to water safety education and recreational swimming fosters lifelong safety, confidence, and wellness, reducing the risk of drowning and promoting community health; and

WHEREAS, the District has historically collaborated with local Parent Teacher Student Associations (PTSAs) and schools to host community swim events that strengthen partnerships between schools, families, and the District; and

WHEREAS, the cities of Des Moines and Normandy Park are home to several elementary schools and K-8 institutions that serve as vital centers of learning and community, including Des Moines Elementary, Midway Elementary, North Hill Elementary, Parkside Elementary, Woodmont K–8, Saint Philomena School, and Holy Trinity Lutheran School; and

WHEREAS, providing one free or subsidized Saturday swim per school year (“PTSA Swim”) for each of these schools supports equitable access to aquatic experiences, encourages family participation, and enhances student understanding of water safety principles in alignment with the District’s mission; and

WHEREAS, such gifting of public benefit does not violate Article VIII, Section 7 of the Washington State Constitution, as it serves a fundamental recognized public purpose of the Des Moines Pool Metropolitan Park District—promoting public health, youth safety, and community well-being; and

WHEREAS, the District’s support of PTSA Swims complements its broader goals to expand access to aquatics, provide safe spaces for youth engagement, and strengthen civic relationships between the District, local schools, and community organizations;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE DES MOINES POOL METROPOLITAN PARK DISTRICT THAT:

1. Authorization of PTSA Swims.

The District hereby authorizes the public gifting of one (1) Saturday community swim per school year to each of the following schools:

- Des Moines Elementary
- Marvista Elementary
- Midway Elementary
- North Hill Elementary

- Parkside Elementary
- Woodmont K–8
- Saint Philomena School
- Holy Trinity Lutheran School

2. Purpose.

Each PTSA Swim shall promote family recreation, water safety awareness, and school-community partnership, in alignment with the District’s mission of improving community health, safety, and access to aquatics.

3. Administration.

District staff shall coordinate with PTSA or school representatives to schedule, promote, and manage the event within existing budget and staffing resources. Each event shall be scheduled between September and June of each school year.

4. Reporting.

District staff shall include a summary of participation, partnerships, and community feedback in the annual programming report to the Board of Commissioners.

Adoption: ADOPTED by the Board of Commissioners of the Des Moines Pool Metropolitan Park District at an open meeting of such Board on the 21st of October 2025, the following Commissioner being present and voting.

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