MEMORIAL POOL 2010 CONCEPT NARRATIVE

The Memorial Pool Committee that was created by the City Commission during budget sessions in 2009 has been working to develop a Master Plan for the Memorial Pool facility. The Committee has agreed upon a Master Plan design and would like to bring it forward to the Commission and Public for discussion and ultimately adoption. At this time, the Committee does not believe the local economy is in a position to fund the entire Master Plan, or even Phase One. If the majority of the Commission does believe a funding plan should be developed to move this project forward, that directive can be followed.

The first item to note about the plan is that it is designed so it can be completed in two phases. The total estimated cost of the plan is \$5.7 million. Phase One is estimated at approximately \$3 million. Phase Two is estimated at approximately \$2.7 million.

The facility being proposed is a collection of ideas dating back to 2001, when the first assessment of the facility was completed and the recommendation from the consultant was to replace the existing facility.

At this time, the Committee does not believe the competition pool should be removed. The Master Plan being submitted for public discussion builds around the existing pool. It is also important to note that the Committee recommends the wading pool does not get demolished in Phase 1. The wading pool would remain in operation until the Phase Two splash pad would replace it or it can no longer meet state requirements for operation.

The description of Phase One:

- 1. Continue to use the current bathhouse and entryway.
- 2. Build four family locker rooms on the NE corner of the facility. These family locker rooms will be incorporated into a formal bathhouse in Phase 2.
- 3. Build a new concession building on the NE corner of the facility. This building will allow pool patrons to access the service windows while staying inside the fenced in facility. The building will also have windows that allow service to those park users that are not inside the pool facility. This building will be incorporated into a formal bathhouse and entryway in Phase 2.
- 4. Build a new 6,000 square-foot zero-depth entry leisure pool. The leisure pool would have splash and spray equipment as fun features.
- 5. The filter and mechanical equipment for the new leisure pool would be placed on the SE corner of the facility. In Phase One, there will be no building to house this equipment as it will be placed on a fenced-off concrete slab. In Phase 2, the building that would house all the facility's filters and mechanical equipment would be constructed.
- 6. Grass, flowers and shrubs would be incorporated in the facility to help soften the aesthetics of the concrete patio areas.
- 7. Shade would be incorporated around the leisure pool lounge area. The shade for the existing pool lounge area would remain.

The description of Phase Two:

- 1. Build a bathhouse on the NE corner of the facility that would meet State requirements for showers, water closets, urinals, showers, and sinks. This bathhouse would include the family locker rooms, a formal entryway into the facility, a guard house, and the concession area.
- 2. Build a parking lot on the north side of the facility to provide off-street parking and a drop-off zone for the new facility entry.
- 3. Build a filter and mechanical building on the SE corner to house the entire facility's filter and mechanical needs.
- 4. Build two water slides with plunge pool on the SE corner of the facility. The mechanical building will help support the tower for the water slides.
- Build a splash pad outside the fenced-in pool facility on the NE side. This splash pad would be free to the public and take the place of the wading pool found on the SW side.

The Parks Advisory Board will be presented with the plan on Monday, February 1, 2010, 5:30pm, at the RTEC Community Room.

As part of the discussion and adoption process, the Committee would like to hear the public's comments in regards to the design on February 22nd, at the regularly scheduled Commission Meeting thus allowing time for the community to review the concept.

Please find as attachments to this narrative:

- 1) Master Plan Schematic:
- 2) Cost estimate for entire Master Plan;
- 3) Cost estimate for Phase One;
- 4) Community and commissioner comments in regards to Memorial Pool from the October 2007 Community Meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

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