

Wendy Bricher

From: Debra Unger on behalf of Darin Atteberry
Sent: Tuesday, October 29, 2013 2:08 PM
To: Gerry Horak
Cc: Darin Atteberry; Diane Jones; City Council; Marty Heffernan; Bob Adams; Wendy Williams; Sarah Kane; Wendy Bricher
Subject: RE: New recreation center to be built in SE Ft. Collins (Council SAR #24187) - Agenda Item #3

Gerry,

Please see the response below from Marty Heffernan, Community Services Director, re: your inquiry about an agreement between the Poudre School District and the City to build a swimming pool:

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In 1973 the City and Poudre School District (PSD) entered into an agreement where PSD agreed to convey Block 84 to the City and the City agreed to build a pool on the land allowing PSD the right to use the pool. Block 84 is the site of the Lincoln Center and Mulberry Pool. Pursuant to this agreement, the City built Mulberry Pool and has allowed PSD to use the pool. The City also makes the EPIC pool available to PSD for their swim teams. PSD pays the City to rent the pool lanes they use at both EPIC and Mulberry pools.

All rental income from the pools covers about 57% of the operating costs. Operating costs include all staffing, utilities, and building and grounds repair and maintenance expenses. The City has encouraged PSD to build a pool to help service the expanding student population. PSD has indicated their needs are being met by the current arrangement to use City pools.

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Staff time: 40 minutes

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From: Gerry Horak
Sent: Tuesday, October 29, 2013 12:29 PM
To: Darin Atteberry
Subject: Fwd: New recreation center to be built in SE Ft. Collins (Council SAR #24187)

Darin

Please see the email below. Is there an agreement between PSD and the city concerning who builds pools?

Thanks

Gerry

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

From: D'Ann Rhoda <dannrhoda@msn.com>

Date: October 29, 2013 at 8:33:38 AM MDT

To: <cityleaders@fcgov.com>

Subject: New recreation center to be built in SE Ft. Collins

To Whom It May Concern:

I would like to voice my opinion on the new Recreation Center proposed for the Fossil Creek park area in SE Ft. Collins. This has been a most frustrating process with the city in that the city is not wanting to realize the "needs" of the community. Currently we have 2 competitive youth teams in Fort Collins--FAST and Vortex. Vortex has been unable to expand due to constraints at Mulberry Pool. FAST has to adjust swim times with different age groups because of limited space at EPIC. Many kids have to go to practice at 5:30 a.m. 4-5 days a week. Add to that the 4 high schools in town have to share pool space at Mulberry and EPIC because of the "outdated" agreement between PSD and the city of Ft. Collins that no high school in Ft. Collins will build a pool but instead will utilize the city pools. This is absolutely absurd that not one of our high schools in this town has a pool with it. If the city council and government were smart, they would follow the lead of Loveland and MountainView High School which has a dual purpose in that it is a leisure pool with a large lap pool for competition. It is a win-win situation for all. Please do not be short-sighted on this issue. At a time when we are trying to encourage young people to be physically active, kids are being turned away because of pool constraints. Not only that, swimming is a life-long sport with low injury statistics. Please, please, please consider my input during the meeting tonight!!! Let's make Fort Collins an even better place for all.

Thank you,

D'Ann Rhoda

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