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Aquatics Master Plan

Park District of Oak Park





Goals & Objectives

- Establish aquatics strategy for next twenty years
- Address safety, accessibility and maintenance
- Optimize use of the pools with public input
- Improve amenities to better serve all ages
- Grant application for Rehm Pool



Additional Information

- Pool capacity remains unchanged
- Staying within boundaries of existing properties
- Lacking appeal to tweens and teens
- Online survey at:
 http://www.survey.pdop.org/s3/PDOPpools



Tonight's Discussion

- Review of existing aquatic facilities
- Trends in waterpark design
- Concept design for Grant Application
- Public comments

Existing Facilities



Rehm Pool

Exterior Aquatics 58,000 s.f.

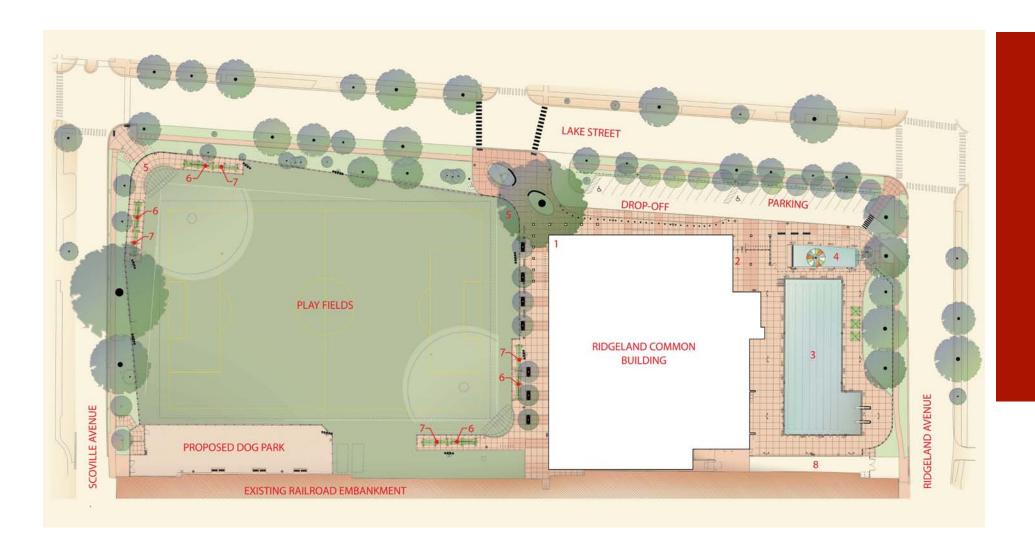
Rehm Pool

1967 Original structure1996 Renovation1999 Locker room renovation2010 Filter system2013 Family changing rooms and spray play

50 meter pool
Dive well with 5 meter platform
Zero depth play pool
Wading pool and sand lot

Accessibility issues at main entrance
Pool gutters need replacement
Deferred maintenance at roof
Safety/maintenance of dive platform
Replace diving well piping
Bring diving well into code compliance





Ridgeland Common

Exterior Aquatics 33,600 s.f.

Ridgeland Common

1962 Original structure 2014 Renovation

50 meter pool with dive well Zero depth wading pool

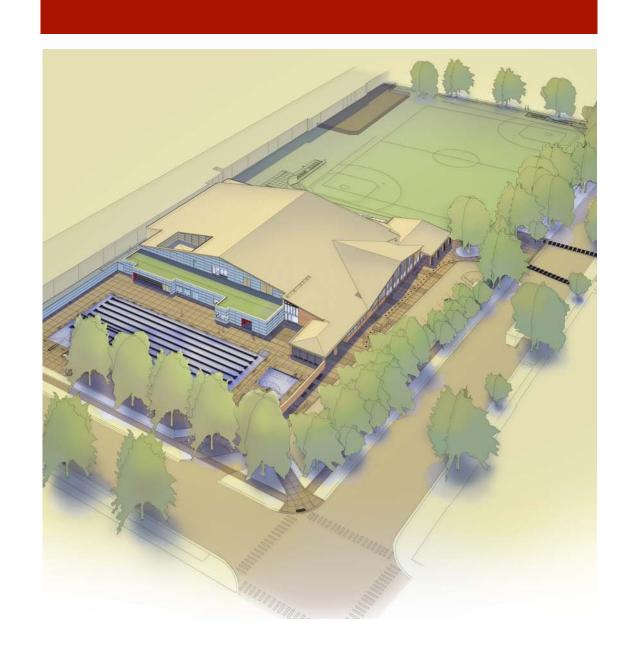
New support facilities

New mechanical equipment

Existing pool shell w/improvements

Estimate 20 years added shell life

Code and accessibility compliant





Amenities In Common

- Locker and family changing rooms
- Zero depth play pools with spray features
- 50 meter main pool shells with lap swimming
- Diving wells with 1 meter boards
- Sun and shade pool decks
- Accessibility lifts
- Vending machines
- Lap swimming



Programs In Common

- Public swim
- Family swim
- Swim lessons
- Family fun nights
- Flick and float
- Camp swim time
- Camp swim lessons
- Off-season swim lessons at OPRF pools

Varying Amenities & Programs

Rehm Pool

- Concession stand
- Spray features with floor bubblers
- Drop slides
- 5 meter diving platform
- Wading pool and sand lot
- Grass picnic area
- Water fitness

Ridgleland Common

- Stroller parking
- Pool entry stair
- Lockers on pool deck
- 50 meter competition pool
- Indoor party room
- Swim meets
- Lap swimming

Program Enhancements

Skwim



Underwater Hockey





Surfboard Water Polo



Paddle Surfing



Amenity Enhancements

Interactive Spray Pad







Interactive Spray Play Area









Water Flume Slide (Family)









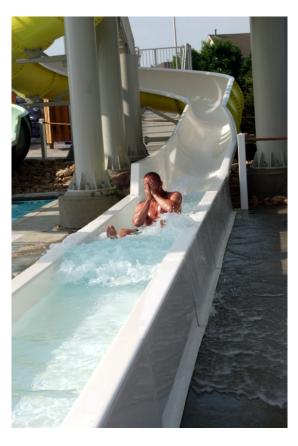
Inner-Tube Flume Slide (Family)







Run-Out Slides







Lazy River







Crossing Activities







Pool Volleyball



Bowl Slides







Climbing Wall - AquaClimb









Shaded Pool Deck with Chaise Lounges









Shade Structure / Shelter









Small Group Reservable Shelter









Concept for Grant Application

Rehm Pool Enhancements

Replaces wading pool and sandbox

Pool Area Enhancements
Expanded concession patio w/shade
Expanded turf area
Expanded lounge deck w/shade

Park Enhancements New restrooms

Shared Pool & Park Enhancements New spray pad with extended hours



Questions & Comments

Online Survey at:

http://www.survey.pdop.org/s3/PDOPpools



Park District of Oak Park Pools Master Plan Community Meeting Notes

Wednesday, February 19, 2014 Oak Park Conservatory, 7pm

Park District Pool Master Plan Consultants: Eric Penney and Don McKay, Nagle Hartray Inc. and Matt Freeby, Water Technologies, Inc.

Eric Penney from Nagle Hartray and Matt Freeby from Water Technologies Inc. made a brief PowerPoint presentation which included:

- Information about current amenities at Rehm and Ridgeland Common pools
- Future program and amenity options
- A renovation concept for the east end of Rehm Pool which is being considered for an Illinois
 Department of Natural Resources PARC grant opportunity with a deadline of March 10, 2014

Comments from attendees:

- Can you put spray pad on the other side of the park?
- Indoor pool facility? Sprung Instant structure?
- Partner with the high school
- An obstacle course was suggested
- Seal off the choke off point to prevent kids from going into the deeper end. That would provide a wading pool to replace the one going away.
- Can't permanently cut off the choke point because would need separate, new filtration system for this pool.
- Need a basketball hoop on the deep end of the pool for teens and tweens
- Can we keep wading pool and put splash pad in the grass area?
- Put a special "sand shower" at the exit of the sandbox
- Would rubberized surface get super-hot?

- What are the parameters of the state grant?
- Concerns were raised about the restroom and the location of the restroom
- Concern was raised about the quick turnaround for the grant
- What would be the hours of the restrooms?
- Concern was raised about taking away green space for the restrooms
- "Neighborhood not in support of tennis court removal"
- Hours of operation for the spray pad?
- Inadequate parking
- When is removal scheduled?
- What is the budget for the grant project?
- Scrap the grant project and put in underground parking at Rehm
- Big investment for only 3 months per year
- Need an indoor aquatic center
- Terrible waste to spend for an outdoor pool
- Seniors & Adults are overlooked
- "I like swimming outside."
- The locker rooms at Ridgeland Common were switched in 2013. Are they being switched back?
- Is it possible to replace some turf with proposed splash pad?
- Illegal activity around the trains at night
- Confused about purpose of meeting? Master planning or grant project?
- This process feels rushed. Take your time like other planning processes.
- In support of removing wading pool
- Allow toys in zero depth area
- In support of restrooms use park for t-ball and tennis

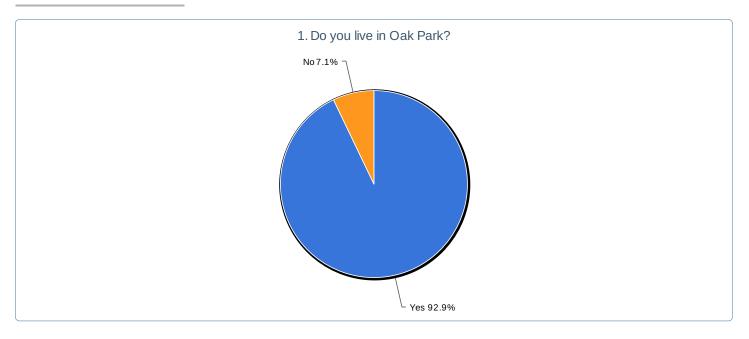
- Restrooms and teens the Park District has restrooms at other parks with no problems
- Suggested property acquisition on Scoville Avenue
- Rehm Park master planning in 2008 did not include restrooms
- Like separate access to splash pad by the public when the pool is closed
- Whatever the Park District does, don't impinge on lap swimming
- Are you moving the fence?
- Cooperate with River Forest Park District
- The wading pool and sand play areas are not ADA accessible. As much as our family loves the wading pool, I would support eliminating it to make way for an amenity that can be enjoyed by everyone.

Other points:

There were approximately 35 people in attendance at the meeting. Additionally, members of the Park Board were present along with Park District staff and a reporter from the Wednesday Journal. The meeting lasted about 1.5 hours. Attendees were encouraged to complete the online survey which was available on the Park District website along with the master plan PowerPoint presentation. It was explained everyone would be sent a link to the survey and would be notified of the next meeting in April. The survey would be available online until March 1, 2014.



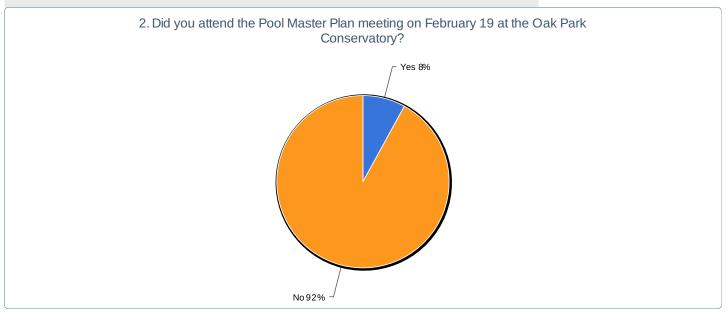
Summary Report - Mar 5, 2014 Survey: Pools Master Plan Survey



1. Do you live in Oak Park?

Value	Count	Percent %
Yes	456	92.9%
No	35	7.1%

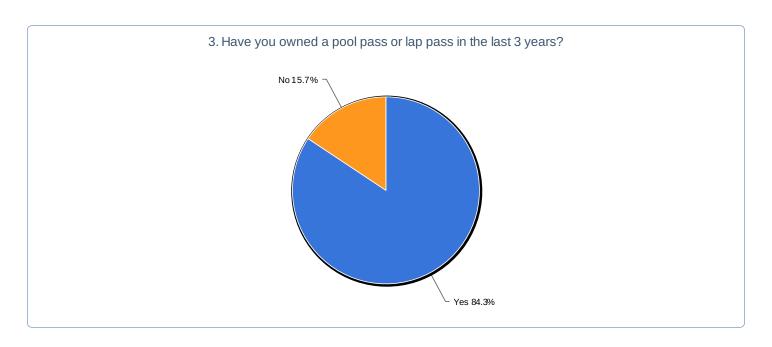




2. Did you attend the Pool Master Plan meeting on February 19 at the Oak Park Conservatory?

Value	Count	Percent %
Yes	39	8.0%
No	449	92.0%

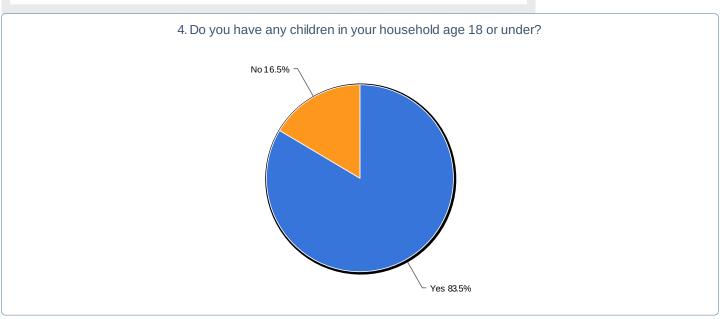
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3. Have you owned a pool pass or lap pass in the last 3 years?

Value	Count	Percent %
Yes	409	84.3%
No	76	15.7%

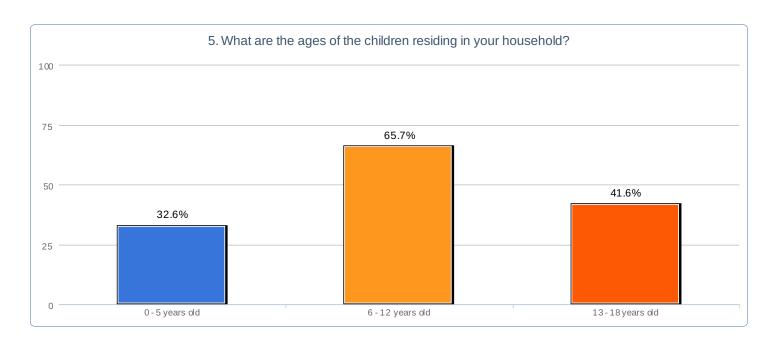
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4. Do you have any children in your household age 18 or under?

Value	Count	Percent %
Yes	411	83.5%
No	81	16.5%

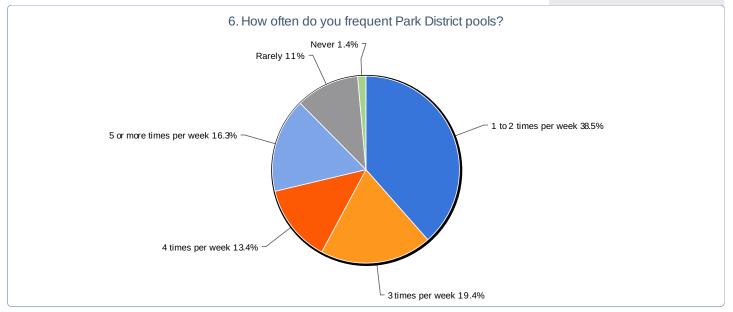
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Total Responses	492



5. What are the ages of the children residing in your household?

Value	Count	Percent %
0 - 5 years old	134	32.6%
6 - 12 years old	270	65.7%
13 - 18 years old	171	41.6%

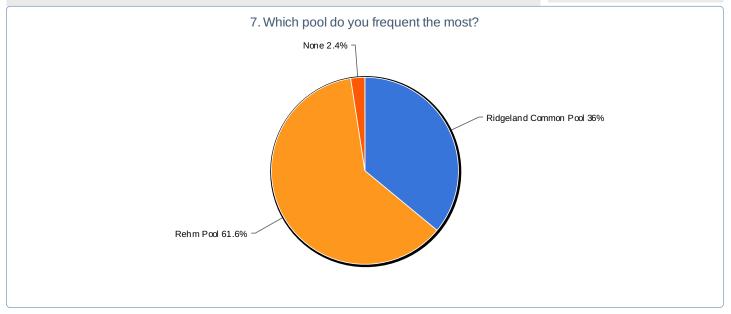
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Total Responses	411
Sum	3,843.0
Avg.	9.4
StdDev	3.4
Max	13.0



6. How often do you frequent Park District pools?

Value	Count	Percent %
1 to 2 times per week	189	38.5%
3 times per week	95	19.4%
4 times per week	66	13.4%
5 or more times per week	80	16.3%
Rarely	54	11.0%
Never	7	1.4%

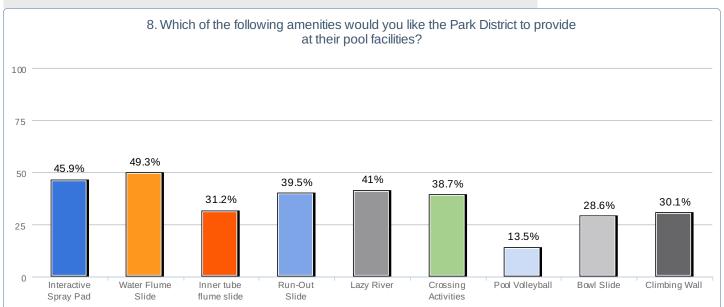
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7. Which pool do you frequent the most?

Value	Count	Percent %
Ridgeland Common Pool	177	36.0%
Rehm Pool	303	61.6%
None	12	2.4%

Statistics	
Total Responses	492



8. Which of the following amenities would you like the Park District to provide at their pool facilities?

Value	Count	Percent %
Interactive Spray Pad	122	45.9%
Interactive Spray Play Area	0	0.0%
Water Flume Slide	131	49.3%
Inner tube flume slide	83	31.2%
Run-Out Slide	105	39.5%
Lazy River	109	41.0%
Crossing Activities	103	38.7%
Pool Volleyball	36	13.5%
Bowl Slide	76	28.6%
Climbing Wall	80	30.1%

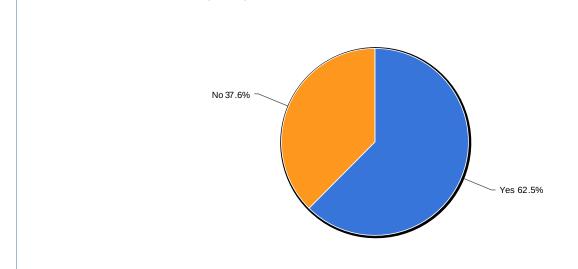
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Total Responses	266

9. From the previous list of pool amenities, please select your top four in order by moving your choices from the left column to the right column. If you are completing this question on a mobile device, please turn your device to landscape view.

Item	Total Score ¹	Overall Rank
Water Flume Slide	624	1
Interactive Spray Pad	575	2
Lazy River	574	3
Climbing Wall	407	4
Crossing Activities	400	5
Run-Out Slide	395	6
Inner-Tube Flume Slide	331	7
Bowl Slide	322	8
Pool Volleyball	260	9
Sand Play	0	10
Climbing Wall	0	11
Adult Whirlpool	0	12
Interactive Spray Play Area	0	13
Total Respondents: 421		

10. In your opinion, does Rehm Pool need additional shade structures?

¹ Score is a weighted calculation. Items ranked first are valued higher than the following ranks, the score is the sum of all weighted rank counts.



10. In your opinion, does Rehm Pool need additional shade structures?

Value	Count	Percent %
Yes	306	62.5%
No	184	37.6%

Statistics	
Total Responses	490

11. Do you have any additional ideas or comments regarding Park District of Oak Park pools?

Count	Response
1	I enjoy lap swim Anything you can do to enhance this I would appreciate.
1	Add an adult water exercise class with evening hours!
1	An resident adult with a pool pass should not have to pay additional money for a lap pass
1	At Ridgeland, have the snack bar lead to the outside.
1	Be sure to keep lap swim areas for teams to practice.
1	Better snacks
1	Bigger lockers
1	Both pools need more shade options and more seating
1	Consider converting Ridgeland to an indoor pool when the time comes to renovate it.
1	Consider offering lap swimming everday in the eves.
1	Continue offering varying times for lap swim
1	Definitely more non-swimming water activities like slides
1	Designate a lap swim lane all day.
1	Do not remove the sand volleyball courts at Rehm park.
1	Don't close the pool!
1	Earlier hours for Rehm pool.
1	Extended hours for lap swim, or at least one lane dedicated to lap swim at peak times, please!!!
1	Extended hours in August. That month is brutal.
1	Get a bubble for the winter so we can have lap swimming year round. More lap swimming.
1	Have giveaways for pool passes.
1	Healthier snacks or smoothie vending machines. Get rid of Rehm platforms. Nicer locker areas.
1	I don't think it needs these proposed activities. Just the pool.
1	I like that the pool pass price is lower this year. Please keep the prices low.
1	I would like to keep an adult section.
1	I would like to see lap swimming at both Rehm and Ridgeland.
1	I wouldn't want addt'l features to take away from lap lanes.
1	I'd like more/later evening hours for family/public swim.
1	I'd rather have more grass to lay on or play on than additional play structures.
1	Important to maintain lap capabalities
1	Increase time for lap swimming.
1	Indoor pool
1	Indoor year round lap pool at Ridgeland
1	It would be nice to have morning open swim hours at one of the pools.
1	Keep as much as the lap lanes as possible
1	Keep lap swim Monday through Friday from 9;00 AM until 10:30 AM.
1	Keep the tennis courts!!!!!! No public restroom in rehm park.
1	Lap Swim to support team sports
1	Lap swim is more important than lazy river and other amenities that take up space.
1	Lap swim pool area is important and the size we have now is sufficient - no less please
1	Lap swimming is my highest priority.
1	Locker rooms are very dark and smelly.
1	Longer and earlier lap sws on w/ ends.
1	Longer hours. And no closing for half an hour at 5ish at Rehm.
1	Love the new hours. Much more convenient
1	Make sure there is enough time for lap swim and swim teams

1	Make the focus on swimming actual laps and everything needed for swim teams.
1	Maybe put a turn style to exit the pool.
1	More Indoor pool access for lap swim during the winter!!
1	More activities/programming and features for tweens and teens would be welcome.
1	More adult only space.
1	More adult time with lap swim time.
1	More fun for kiss, go check out the pool in Lisle, they have done it right
1	More lane pool space for laps.
1	More lap lanes and times for same
1	More lap swim access.
1	More lap swimming
1	More lap swimming options!
1	More lap time
1	More lap time!! And allowance for swim team practice!
1	More opportunities for lap swim.
1	More places to eat, picnic style, for families.
1	More seating in concession area at Rehm
1	More shade definitely!!
1	More shade!!!!!!! More chairs!!!!!!
1	More time for High School Swimmwers and adult swimmng lanes.
1	Much more shaded areas needed. More designated adult seating poolside.
1	My children do lap swimming so would like to maintain the number of lanes for lap swimming
1	My daughter really would like a bowl slide, more slides & activities for tweens.
1	Need a better system to clean out pool and disinfect from fecal matter.
1	Need indoor pool for year around lap swimming.
1	Need to continue to support tops swim program
1	Need to keep it as a pool so people can practice swimming and the pool can support swim meets.
1	No fee for infants
1	No food or eating should be allowed on the deck Better deck chairs available near the pool
1	Nope.
1	Not at rhis time
1	One of the pools should have indoor capabilities for year round swimming.
1	Our family frequents both pools about equally, depending on the schedule of when they're open!
1	Our kids need access to a competitive 50 meter pool.
1	Parking at ridge land is important
1	Please do not reduce lap swimming. Important for adults and kids.
1	Please do not take away lap swim at Rehm pool
1	Please don't neglect the taw payers who don't have children.
1	Please improve the concessions
1	Please keep enough room for lap swimming for high school teams.
1	Please keep the baby pool. There needs to be a safe place to introduce babies to the pool.
1	Please keep the maximum amount of lap swimming. Thanks!
1	Please maintain and promote options for lap swimming.
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	Please provide more shade areas and a splash pad for younger kids would be great.
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1	Please try to incorporate kiddie pool into plan. Pools MUST be available to OPRF competitive swim programs, TOPS and OPRFHS swimming.

1	Reduce the fees for residents for occasional use.
1	Rehm needs their lounge chairs replaced and working vending machines
1	Retrofit rehm to install temp bulkhead for final lane. Replace diving platforms with slides
1	Still allow access to pools for swim teams
1	There are plenty of teenagers and adults that would like to be able to lap swim.
1	Times for resident-only swimming, or residents pay less than non-residents.
1	Updated locker room
1	WE NEED AN INDOOR POOL!!!!!!!
1	Water slidesYES! It's about time. Can't wait!
1	We need better indoor pool options in Oak Park.
1	We need to improve the hours of operation make them longer.
1	We really need a state of the art indoor pool that can be utilized across generations.
1	We should not do anything to the pools that would reduce lap lanes.
	We would stop using the pool if you introduced "toys" that obstructed swimming.
1	Would love to see an indoor pool that can be used in the dead of winter.
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1	better swim lessons, all year round open swim pool, swim team for kids in Oak Park.
1	expand family swim times healthier food service!
1	
1	lap lanes
1	lap swim is most important to me and my family
1	lap swim, masters swim, year round swim, access for age group swim teams.
1	make the pools indoor so that they can be used all year rather than for three months.
1	more lap swim hours
1	more lap swim times at REhem
1	more shaded areas
1	
1	please keep hours in blocks - I think one of the pools used to close between 4:30 and 5pm or so.
1	separate lap swim upcharge is a little silly ridgeland closing seems to be longer than necessary
1	there are far too many safety breakstakes away from the time the pool can be enjoyed.
1	water pool court / equipment / practice nets etc
1	we like the high dive a lot please don't take that away
1	we need more lap swim for local teams
1	would hate to see lap swim minimized with space-consuming things like a lazy river
1	would like more availability for lap swimming
1	zero depth entry at ridgeland
1	1. Wave Pool atRidgeland 2. Block off zero depth side of Rehm to limit frequency of poop accidents. Or make all swim diaper wearers stay in baby pool. I'm fed up with swimming in poop. 3. Enclose one pool with sliding glass walls and roof to extend swim season to end of Oct., open Mid May.
1	I am a swimmer and play water polo at the high school. Nothing should be built that changes the configuration of lanes for any swimming, whether it be lessons, teams and practice. I would also like to see the Park District allow the water polo clubs in the area (Fenwick & OPRF) to utilize the pool for outdoor play for each team at least 1 time a summer. That's what we (athletes on the teams) would like.
1	we need to keep as many lanes for lap swim as possible. swimmers who use these lanes during the summer for recreation or as part of a swim team are continually losing pool time and space
1	Question: is the new proposed splash play area open to the public during pool hours? If so, how do you keep people out of the pool area that do not have passes, but plan to use the spray park.
1	The Park District needs more swimming lessons and an indoor pool. They don't need enhanced water features. Shade would be nice.
1	Swimming is such an important part of pool usage. Installing features that would interfere with swimming would be a real setback. Currently, Oak Park is pool deficient. Too few pools to meet the swimming needs of the community.

large pool structures are not needed or should be limited to 1 pool (ridgeland or rehm not both)..Oak Park needs to keep lap lanes a priority for our swimmers and swim team communities. Having kid activities is great but remember all ages; having lap swims at multiple times is also great for us older folks. And Oak Park could be a great draw for visitors if it had one of its two pools be developed for competitive swim meets. The majority of people at the meeting, the taxpavers/community were not in favor of this plan and this is not a scientific survey. We do not want or need a water park. 1 Rehm pool needs additional deck/grass area for families. Baby pool at Rehm should be available during safety breaks but with age limits for kids. Needs to be serious consideration for a year-round structure. I strongly feel that Oak Park has missed an opportunity when rebuilding the Ridgeland Commons. I wish that as much emphasis had and will be placed on swimming. We have no facility in Oak Park to hold meets and most other suburbs do have something like this. The pool at the high school is ridiculous. Building and having a facility that provides the opportunity to have the 2 major teams in the Oak Park area (TOPS and Millennium) hold meets would be a money making venture. Futhermore, please don't put anything in the pools that would take away lanes for the teams to practice. I feel they need to put the wall back that offers connection to the zero depth pool. I do a lot of lap swimming and support the swim team that swims there. I feel that the main 50 meter should be retained and utilized more. I would love to see a deep end that coul;d support a water polo program & tournament. The choke point between the zero depth and the 50 meter can be precarious for young children, particularly for parents monitoring multiple kids. I would hate to loose pool real state for us to do lap exercises. I really like the wide pools to swim. 1 Why in the world are you taking over our lap swim pool for features that can only be used by children? This is the WORST IDEA EVER. WHY MUST I PAY TAXES IF I CANNOT SWIM LAPS AT THE POOL. WE ARE NOT WISCONSIN DELLS. THIS IS A WASTE OF MY TAX DOLLARS AND ELIMINATES LAP SWIMMING FOR ADULTS, SENIORS, THE DISABLED, AND COMPETITIVE SWIM TEAMS. THE BALLPLAYER LOBBY MESSED UP RIDGELAND COMMON, AND THE POOL DESIGN THERE IS NOW HORRIBLE!!! WHY ARE YOU DISENFRANCHISING SWIMMERS. THIS SUCKS!!! AND IT IS UNFAIR TO THE ADULT POPULATION THAT PAYS TAXES AND HAS VIRTUALLY NO PARKS LEFT. THEY ARE ALL BALLFIELDS, AND NOW WATERPARKS --?? WHAT WE REALLY NEED NOW IS A NEW PARK BOARD WHO WILL ALLOW TAXPAYERS/ADULTS TO ENJOY PARKS AND POOLS!!! There should be more areas with tables and/or grassy areas with some shade. A few dedicated lap lanes would be nice to have, if not at both pools at least at one of the pools. increase lap swim increase flexibility to keep pool open on hot days at beginning or end of season I think it is important to keep as many lanes open for lap swim. I don't support building permanent structures that reduce 1 the amount of lanes available for the various swim teams to practice. Most of the activities presented here are large, taking up both deck space and pool area. My biggest concern is effect these activities would have on multiple uses and other programming, and lap and competitive swimming in particular. An objective listed at the meeting was providing amenities for ALL AGES, these ideas may infringe on other uses. Zero entry pools at both locations would be great. Also it would be great if there were more pool pass options and if pool pass prices made more sense. We need more clean, new lounge chairs. Why can't parents sit on the sides of the pool? It doesn't seem like it should 1 matter. Oak Park has a rich tradition of competitive swimming, and the only way to continue that is to insure it offers pool space and time to teams and individuals for lap swimming and practice. I am one of MANY in the Oak Park community that swim for recreation, wellness and competition. Oak Park is seriously lacking pool space and time for the large number of swimmers in the community. I would urge the Park District to seriously consider all upgrades to the pools to focus first and foremost on ample space for lap swimming. Thank you. We are lucky to have two pools - I would rather they stayed the same than to be charged more (either in pass or daily fees or taxes) Please make sure we get our adult deck back at Rehm Pool. Also the employees should ALL be trained by someone who knows the pool rules. 1 I would like to make sure that the pools have enough space for lab swimming for adults and all the swim teams that would want to use it. I wish there be nothing built that will change the way the pool is set up of swimming(lanes) and seating(adult deck). It's important to keep in mind the needs of all age groups, especially adults who use the pools, and not just the teens, tweens and younger children.

- need indoor pool so can be used year round for swim lessons, competitive swimming, water polo, etc
 yes, I feel Oak Park should offer senior citizen water arobics at a reasonable time of the day. They would increase flexibility and increased health.
- 1 It would be really nice to expand the experience at our pools beyond just swimming for the kids. The building structure at Rehm is laid out poorly and takes up too much room. The park district needs to fold the teases area of this park into the pool structure and use the wasted grass park space more effectively.
- 1 Redoing Ridgeland was enough upgrades. please don't spend too much money. Our taxes are way too high as it is.
- 1 I really don't think we need larger structures (like the lazy river idea.) Given the limited footprint of the pools, this would severely constrict actual pool space, and based on our family's experience at water parks, the lazy rivers are primarily for the younger children. To maximize resources, it is important to remember that the pool is the main event not all the bells and whistles that can only be used by a few people at a time.
- 1 Kid pools at Rehm needs to be separate from older kid swimming area because if the amount of pooping in pools! It happens so much I can hardly believe it!
- my children are part of a swim team that utilizes rehm and ridgeland over the summer and it is important that lap lanes remain a big component of the overall plan for the pools. This is a great way for our school aged children to get outside and get some great exercise. Please keep these teams in mind when plans are finalized within our village.
- 1 We need to have an indoor pool option, by putting a dome or some other solution. Lap swim space is in very short supply in the community. We cannot sacrifice this. In fact we need to add to this.
- 1 So glad you are doing this. We need large spaces that can be used for Multipurposes. Lap lanes can be easily converted, please don't waste space on one activity
- 1 I am supportive fo changes IF they do not take away or impact lap swim. I have 2 children who are very INVOLVED in Hgh School and club swim teams and use this pool for their summer workouts. I would NOT want those activities impacted by any changes.
- 1 NO IDEA why the pool renovations were not coordinated with high school -- could have shared facilities and made better use of tax dollars!
- 1 An indoor facility. Create a lazy river at rehm by extending into the park. Add more trees/shade around the facility. Give Mike Lushniak a raise!
- I wish you could bring back the end of summer dog swim. I know there are a number of good reasons it was stopped, but it was one of the most fun events sponsored by the PDOP. Also, I attended the meeting at the Conservatory and was under the impression that this survey would be asking for feedback on the proposal for a state grant. Obviously the PDOP does not have to get public buy-in on all that it does, but the communication of expectations for public comments on this short-term situation has been a bit unclear. I would just echo some of the key comments made that night with which I agree: 1) Consider a splash pad location near the Rehm playground could part of the sun deck be repurposed?

 2) The bathrooms are needed at Rehm Park, but should have been part of the park masterplan process not slipped in w/o full consideration. Also, it seems like a location closer to the playground and fire department should be considered.

 3) Get rid of the sand. And add more seating, lounges, and umbrellas in that space. 4) If accessibility is the goal, why not make the baby pool accessible? 5) People weren't paying attention 3 years ago when the Rehm masterplan included tearing out the northern tennis court. You don't want to re-litigate that but it was clear people will complain when the demolition gets underway! Finally, as a neighbor to Rehm Park, I am very grateful for all the work that has gone into keeping the sidewalks clear this winter. Thank you very much!
- Yes, I wish they had made ridgeland Pool an indoor pool for lap swimming. I wish they would rewall the area where you go from large pool to the zero depth pool / water play area. I just want the pool to be able to swimm laps in all lanes. Also I do not want my fees to rise so much higher because you want to add more slides & other water activities to the pool.
- Why don't we cap the pools for winter use caps can be removed for the summer. These caps are used all over MN and the Dakotas
- Rehm pool does not need any additional pool structures. The zero depth is great. They should get rid of the sandbox. Years ago we were told a lifeguard would be posted making sure the kids shower off before going into the pool. It STILL this is not done. I did live in Oak Park then. It would bring back some of the patrons who left when you took away the senior and handicapped discounts. Our passes went up almost thirty dollars being non residents. Also please make sure the employees will be able to enforce the rules. For many years they hardly ever tell the parents they can not have kids on the adult deck. Last year is exempt from that. I do hope this year we have our adult deck back. Especially since half of it was taking away or camp kids who only use it for storing their stuff. Make no sense. There are many grassy areas they can use. They also run through the adult deck. As one of your handicapped patrons who has been going to Rehm Pool fpr 40 years it would be nice to be able to afford the pass. 80 dollars is extreem for someone ona VERY FIXED INCOME. I love going to workout in the water in the summer but this year I might not be able to afford the price.

	Please bring back senior and handicapped discounts. We need them. Thanks So Much,
1	I swim laps at Ridgeland or Rehm all summer long. Please retain the community's lap swim facilities. We are completely underserved for the OPRF area size and financial capability. Especially after the loss of the Concordia pool. What a shame if we lost the wonderful 50M pools where a triathlete like myself can train. And when we only had Rehm this summer it was overcrowded, so we need lap swim at both Ridgeland and Rehm. I have a 3 year old; I would love more amenities for him. But please provide for the adult and kid swimmers of OPRF. Thank you.
1	Oak Park needs to keep a competition pool for long course and short course seasons. It would be really great and ideal if the park district had an INDOOR competition pool for year round use. Ridgeland now has a year round ice rinkwhy not a year round pool?
1	I'm astonished that you have not provided a "none of the above" option in discussing additions to the pools. Because you deny that option, you simply cannot claim that these survey results reflect *any* straightforward community consensus. Most of us in this age of fiscal tightening would likely reject any such departure, especially ones so expensive as Lazy River. I'm all for necessary upgrades and maintenance, we use the pools a lot, but this is ridiculous.
1	I'd love to see a discounted lap pass as an add on to the regular pool pass (something like \$20 for the summer).
1	Please consider the High School and swim team lap time necessary to keep these teams competitive in our community. They use the public pools for practice during summer.
1	Would like an indoor pool. Restore adult pool at Rehm and have more visible placards explaining rules. Get rid of zero depth at Rehm.
1	The locker rooms and bathrooms at the pools are disgusting. They need updating and better everyday maintenance.
1	I don't think that any of the ideas in the plan need to be considered. We have a community pool, one which needs it's space for the community of lap swimmers and adult swimmers. The kids of OP seem to be enjoying themselves just as it is. Think of it's current use and keep it that way. No need to change.
1	I realize that the Park District is trying to 'keep up' with some of the other local pools and amenities, but I'd hate to see actual swimming space in the pool sacrified for amenities that very few people will actually use. The pool gets pretty crowded in the summer and space in the water is at a premium. Don't limit that space for the sake of a few gadgets that 10 percent of the people who go to the pool will use.
1	There are always tons of kids in the sand lot. I think some of the grassy area should be used for the sand lot as opposed to getting rid of the sand entirely.
1	Be careful as the more amenities you provide the more you become a public pool instead of a local community pool. Large groups of teenagers who don't care about our community, misbehavior, disrespect,
1	Please do not limit the number of lanes available for lap swimming for competitive swimmers. Also please do not change the length of the pool to a length that is not regulation for swimming. If you do options such as slides, etc. please make sure they do not impact competitive swimming. There is not enough pool time as is.
1	We need an indoor pool. Also, more beginning instruction needs to be in zero depth pool. Beginning instruction should not be in 3 foot depth
1	Open the platforms!!!! Besides the platforms the pool is really wonderful just the way it is. Isn't there anyway to allow diving in the big pool? My kids want to practice diving and enjoy it immensely. Perhaps on the deeper end 4'-6" and deeper?
1	I can see taking down the platforms as 2 of 3 are never used. Replacing them with slides may be a nice addition and use of space in that area. However, I wouldn't like to see the main well changed. I like the idea of being able to lap swim. I don't think the pool will ever appeal to teens. As a teenager you want to hop on the el and hit the beach. That's just the way it is! THEY DON"T WANT TO BE AT THE POOL!! Don't worrythey all come back. I did and my older children did. Our children need a pool! They need to use their imagination to play! Please don't turn our wonderful pool in to a water park!
1	Rehm's water was TOO cold last summer, my kids didn't even want to go in for long on hot days. It was ridiculous.
1	In regards to Rehm Pool and the building. Although improvements have been made to changing rooms, they are very inconvienent for Moms to walk across the pool. Improvements to make the Ladies room closer to the kiddie area would be ideal.
1	It would be cool to have one that is year-round like other communities. Oak Brook pool gets a lot of business from Oak Parkers in the winter.
1	Keep the 9pm closing time! At least one day per week, anyway. An hour of non-lap swim, adult swim time would be WONDERFUL, too!
1	if you add a splash pad please do not encroach upon the park in any way - including building a bathroom structure. we do not want this.
1	Please do not reduce the lanes of swimming because of large fun activities. The swim teams that use the outdoor

pools are great feeder programs for all of the high schools in the area. It would be a shame to reduce the lanes just for large item activities. As a swim family with children in the TOPS Y program, we have had children practicing early mornings at Ridgeland in the summer, and have had both children participate in sports camp with pool access at Ridgeland. Our team depends heavily on Ridgeland Commons for our annual outdoor swim meet in June and for summer practice, so we hope for continued access for these activities. I would like to see plenty of lanes still available for lap swimming, in which 3 out of the 4 members of my household currently engage, and I expect as my youngest son gets a little older, he will also lap swim. We are OP residents but prefer Forest Park pool because: a) zero depth and more for kids < age 5 to do in the shallows; and b) better cost structure (i.e. charge less for little kids). It would be better for OP if we had more interesting options for kids. Spray pads are boring; water slides and climbers are where its at. Would like to have a pool that is enclosed for year round swimming. Enclosure could open up to the exterior in warmer months. I think it's really important to have a place for parents and infants - 3 years that's somewhat sheltered from the more ebullient activities of older kids. An indoor pool for off-season swimming would be nice. The YMCA pool is small and fusty and only open a few hours 1 Friday, Saturday and Sunday for family/open swimming. The FFC club pool is the only other option I'm aware of. More lap lanes Kiddie features are expensive and a lot of revenue is lost when all the kids after about age 9-10 don't have lap room Instead of OPRF building a new pool facility and destroying a very new parking garage, consider the possibility of putting 1 a air-filled/supported dome over Ridgeland pool to enable "dual-use" of an unused pool in winter months. OPRF swim teams would benefit. Costs would be dramatically lower than building a new swimming complex for the high school, and Ridgeland pool would be an asset that could be used year-round. As a tax-payer, this is the best use of funds to meet mutual goals. 1 I think they are good for kids and adults that like to swim. Maybe for those without kids, have a pool bar.:) 1 Maintain configuration so that lap swimming is possible in all lanes--not disrupted by obstructions. Should have combined the need for oprf pool need with the park district rennovation of ridgeland golden opportunity 1 do not reduce lanes available for lap swim for older patrons and swim teams. We have so little available as it is, do not cut down with large structures, like a lazy river, as it is not a priority. Keep the pool a pool, not a playground. This is not Key Lime Cove. Yes. It always seems that lots of surveys are undertaken but tha Park District and Village leaders proceed to implement that which is easiest or what they deem necessary. Survey results are never shared publicly that I am aware of. Looking at scheduling of family swim to a more conducive time frame for families ti actually visit the pool. 1 1 they both need more deck space, more chairs, etc. more fun things for older kids like slides, but also area to hang out We need a 50 meter competitive pool available to our kids. Swimming is a growing sport, and we need space for our local TOPS and OPRFHS teams. Do not forget they need to be able to be used for competitive swimming which can be a major source of income for the village. I would like to see family swim hours in the afternoon at Rehm. I would like my kids to be able to use toys, noodles at 1 times outside of family swim hours. I am concerned about the lack of family swim hours. I would like to see Rehm pool and/or ridgeland pool open every day until Labor Day. The proposed spay pool/park is an interesting idea but please no turf, just grass. The restroom is ok if it is cleaned and also locked at night. 1) it would be nice to keep lap swim going a few weeks before and after the lifeguard's summer break. It seems we could pay a few people to work a few hours as lifeguards, maybe retired folks. I might consider it. 2) we need some sort of winter opportunity. Perhaps someone could devise a removable enclosure over one of the pools that could be erected in the fall and removed in the spring. Sounds farfetched but it could be done for far less than an indoor pool. Perhaps a sprung structure or air-supported dome. That way we get much more for our investment in the pool infrastructure. not crazy about most of these proposals, especially Lazy River, which would take far too much space (and expense). Stick to the basics -- a pool full of water is plenty of recreation unto itself -- and if you must add amenities, do so in ways that will not detract from, or displace, the main function of the pool. The climbing wall, to my mind, adds by far the most value while taking away the least. Current water feature end of Rehm needs monitoring. The bigger kids get too excited and wild making it unsafe for small kids.

In need of better ways to wash off after using sand area at Rehm. Also, it would be great to have more strict guidelines for the wading pool to reserve its use for those too young to use the splash area. Please don't close down Rehm pool to make changes. If you are going to make changes please make them when the pool is closed. Also, it would be great if the pool could stay open for a few weeks after Labor Day. It is often still hot and enjoyable. I would be willing to participate in swimming at my own risk. The pools are good size and do not require any of the additional slides and activities however, they do need to be heated properly and have staff that can maintain ensure the rules of our facilities are being followed by the patrons. I was mortified to witness children and adults being allowed to swim in our pools in street clothes this past year and staff did not do anything to stop or correct this. There are also issues with safety when staff allows kids to run on the pool decks. I do think that one of the pools should have been made as an indoor pool to support year round swim instruction and swim team sports as well as provide year-round fun for the community. It would be ideal if the pools could meet needs of everyone - those who wish to use for exercise purposes (i.e. lap swimming), those who wish to simply cool off on a hot day, and those with kids who wish to be entertained (i.e. want a slide of some sort). I would like more organized activities. Scheduled times that games are lead by park staff. Kids don't have much to do in the big pool and most of the time cannot have toys in the pool. This would be helpful for families with "game age" kids and smaller kids that need close supervision Rehm gets full too fast and there is nowhere to sit or even put your stuff where you are still able to keep an eye on the There was discussion at the meeting about eliminating the baby pool for a splash pad accessible from outside the pool. 1 Altho it might sound great, to have bathrooms and a splash pad on the other side of the park from the playground would have been a nightmare for me when my children were small. I also don't think Rehm needs a large bathroom facility and thought that idea had already been dismissed with the park renovation. I think it's nice to have an area separated for small children within the pool like the baby pool currently provides and converting to a splash pad would not offer that. I did not like any of the proposed new amenities. I prefer the current pool as is. Few adults over the age of 18 would use any of those amenities, rendering it inappropriate for adults or families. Also, the changes would remove the possibility of actually swimming. please do not remove lap lanes I like to swim and my kids are on swim team part of being on swim team is being able to swim in an outdoor pool Please provide more options for activities for the kids such as slides, climbing wall, etc. Also, concessions need healthier food options for when families stay for several hours and would like to have a meal at the pool. We need an area deep enough for kids to DIVE in (not just the diving board area, like from the side of the pool) 1 I think the most important thing is to maintain the full-size pool with full-length lanes. The main pool at each location serves everyone - it supports many groups in the community, and it meets community's recreation needs. I don't think taking up pool space or resting space with large features like a lazy river or slides is a good idea. A pool is enough fun without those structures. The adult area has very little seating (and seating that isn't broken). It has no shade, no water, no anything. Give grownups a comfortable place to be. like the idea of taking out the sand pit. Splash pad needs to be by the playground, not on the other end of the park. Bathrooms in the park have already been dismissed in master park plan meeting. Seems like the diving platform could be taken out since it's hardly used. Extra shade options shown look nice. Some of the extras look fun but seem like a large headache to monitor, like the climbing wall and crossing features. Seem like headaches for the lifeguards. Please don't add any of the drop and drag options to either the Rehm or RC pools. There is no room to make either pool into a water park without destroying or limiting adult lap swimming even more profoundly than at present. With all respect, shame on you for not including an option NOT to add any of the unwanted and unnecessary gimmicks on offer in your survey. If residents wish to attend a water park, let them go to private facilities that specialize in such offerings. Please use the PDOP's application for a grant to the Illinois Park Fund to purchase land for a public, year-round, indoor, aquatics and fitness center (hereinafter A&FC), NOT to renovate Rehm. I wrote a detailed article about what should be included in such an A&FC, which is available free online at www.kopfc.com/Share/index.html or http://www.kopfc.com/Share/Howto50M.pdf . The model A&FC in that article is at the Kearns, Utah Park District. Despite having a fraction of the per capita income as in OP and RF, it offers world-class, year-round public facilities at a rock bottom price of \$215/year for an entire family and \$130 for an individual (see http://www.kopfc.com/Pages/GeneralIndexPages/Memberships.html). Kearns' rates are 10-20 times lower than at FFC, the YMCA, Loyola or Gottlieb and the PDOP, which latter charges more for its "seven Sundays of public indoor lap

swimming" on an annualized basis than FFC charges for an annual Premier Membership that includes everything. For example, according to the PDOP, you charge \$4.29 each for 7 Sunday adult indoor lap swimming sessions from March 2 through April 13, 2014 at OPRFHS from 7-8:30 a.m. That's \$1566 on an annualized basis --- i.e., more than \$100 more than FFC. The difference is that all OPRF property tax payers have already paid for the OPRFHS pools and should be able to use them for free. Again, SHAME ON YOU for so grossly overcharging for such lousy, inadequate hours and services for indoor swimming. At least at FFC, adult patrons get free towels and can lap swim every day for many more hours throughout the day and use all their other facilities. Moreover, the Montgomery County, Maryland Park District also offers eight lavish, outstanding, public, indoor, year-round aquatics and fitness facilities comparable to those in Kearns (http://www6.montgomerycountymd.gov/rectmpl.asp?url=/content/rec/thingstodo/aquatics/index.asp) for a very modest annual fee. If such disparate park districts can provide such outstanding year-round aquatics and fitness services at such low cost, so can Oak Park and River Forest. It's time the PDOP collaborated with the RF PD and OPRFHS to build such a facility. More than half of D200 residents support using some of OPRFHS's \$150 million cash surplus to fund an A&FC. I know this because I got the advisory question on the ballot last year. The only renovation necessary at Rehm is to install functioning showers in the women's locker room and to provide hot and cold running water in all shower stalls that flows at a decent rate and is not too hot or too cold to stand under comfortably, as it is now. The location for the A&FC could be on the same block as Rehm park (by buying up the residential properties at the south end of East Avenue and Scoville between Harvard and the south boundary of the existing PDOP property there). Alternatively, use the IL Park Grant funds application to purchase land for the A&FC across Lake Street from RC. However, I suspect it would be significantly less expensive to purchase the properties adjacent to Rehm than the properties across from RC. Extend week day early morning outdoor lap swim hours from 5 a.m. to 8 a.m. and weekend early morning lap swim hours from 6 or 7 a.m. to 10:15 a.m. With all respect, your public-access ice skating hours at RC are a joke. There are 168 hours in a week but, despite being publicly funded, the public has access to the new ice rink for ONLY 7.75 hours/week – just 4.6% of each week. None of those hours are early-morning/before work hours and none of them are adults only lap skate hours. Many adults who skate regularly for exercise do not want to share the rink with wild youngsters and teens. We need early morning lap adult skate hours (5-7 or 8 a.m.) on a daily basis to make using a rink worthwhile. To my knowledge, you have never provided daily, early morning/pre-work lap skate hours for adults only. Please do so now or serious adult skaters will continue to be relegated to in-line skating on the streets. Also, please collaborate with the River Forest Park District to offer the same "in-district" pricing for passes to your aquatics and skating facilities to River Forest residents as Oak Park residents enjoy. Please also plan for a large underground parking lot that can accommodate everyone who wishes to drive a motor vehicle to the proposed A&FC. If you really want to enable adults and seniors to use such a facility, you must make accessible parking available to them. Contrary to your remarks on 19Feb, most adults and seniors cannot or will not bike to PDOP facilities. Indeed, many seniors can't easily walk even a block, so they never come to Rehm or RC when the lots and nearby handicapped spaces are parked up. With all respect, it's time the PDOP and the RFPD stopped treating property taxpayers as bottomless money pits whose fitness and recreation needs you can safely ignore in favor of the needs of children and families. Singles and couples without minor children pay through the nose and get nothing in return for our tax dollars. It's time to provide us with daily, early morning, year-round lap swimming, ice skating and other amenities. Please do SO.

- 1 My kids have most enjoyed the wading pool and sandbox at rehm. The new structure in zero depth area last year was also great addition. I think improvements should be focused on function and upkeep...our pools are pretty fantastic already.
- 1 Why did the men have the bigger locker room and the brighter locker room at Rhem? last year it was changed. Will it stay changed?
- 1 OP pools need more life guards! We bought an FP pool pass last year braise of the construction in OP and were so impressed by the number of lifeguards and their attentiveness at the Fp pool. Much better than OP. better facility, better safety and same price for our of the village. OP would benefit from looking at their system.
- 1 We used to go to the pool all the time, but not so much since our kids have grown up. It would be nice to have more time for teens and adults, and not only focus on the little ones. For example, I would go more often as an adult if I knew exactly when the rest periods were. My teens might go to evening swims if it were limited to teens and scheduled a little later in the evening.
- 1 I don't want any of the things you are suggesting. I'd like a pool that has an area set aside for lap swimming, decent diving facilities and shade. A lazy river? Are you crazy?
- 1 We need space to swim, not just to play in the water. Swimming is a lifetime activity that doesn't require a team. I would hate to see the actual pool space reduced in order to try and create a water park environment that no longer encourages actual SWIMMING.
- 1 Maintain lap swim capacities. Consider enclosing one pool. This community has two very large pools for 12 weeks a year. It would be nice to offer programing for all ages year-round in an enclosed pool. The PD needs to think long term and not in 10 year increments.

Anything that detracts from lap swimming at either pool is a net negative. In my opinion PDOP burned bridges with the aquatics community after Gary Balling's "dream big / talk talk talk" process that was followed by "sorry, can't do anything for you." Then, hockey and gymnastics get new facilities while aquatics - arguably the largest and most diverse community group - got nothing. Master plan? It seems that ship has sailed. Please add adult only area. And not a tiny one. Many of us do not have children and would like a reserved area. Also it is not okay to hold birthday parties at pool sites, there should be no cake, pizza, or presents on pool site. I love stand up paddle boarding (SUP) but I have to go to North beach. The pool would be a great way to do training classes or do yoga classes on the board. It applies to almost all ages. Great for fitness! I am a senior citizen and love going to the pools. Sometimes the kids get a bit annoying in the big pool but I rely on the 10 minute rest break to swim in peace. It would be nice to have a mid morning and mid afternoon half hour for adults 1 I think Rehm Pool is fine the way it is. It's a beloved place that doesn't seem in need of enhancements. BOTH MY KIDS ARE ON SWIM TEAMS THAT PRACTICE IN YOUR OUTDOOR POOLS, YOU SHOULD MAKE SURE YOU HAVE AT 8 LANES FOR LAP SWIM OR TEAM SWIM. Definitely remove sand areas from pool areas. More slides ending in pools. Healthier concession options. 1 1 Sunset pool in Glen Ellyn has a great footprint. They took an outdated pool and expanded it to meet the needs of all residents (infants to seniors). Rehm has the land to expand the pool like Glen Ellyn did. My kids want to go to Sunset more often than their own community pools. This is wrong. We have the means to create a GREAT community pool, and we have a responsibility to do so. First, limit the kiddie pools to kids 5 and under (or maybe even 4 or under). I had several times at Ridgeland when 7-8 year olds would come barreling in and knocking over little kids. Second, make the Rehm kiddie pool zero-depth entry so little ones can go in and out. Third, better guarding/policing of the activity set at Rehm (or maybe a zero-depth area where there is no equipment). Trying to enjoy the zero-depth area is hard when kids are constantly shooting the water cannon-type things (at people sitting away from the huge equipment), or when kids are running through the activity area and knocking people down and pushing smaller kids out of the way. I really think the water cannon/guns/sprayers that can be directed by the children should be removed. They are specifically used by children to annoy or antagonize others. I also think that at least 2 lifeguards should be working that area ONLY (one on each side) in order to cut down on roughhousing and injuries. Finally, I would love to see lifeguards crack down on young children who are not wearing appropriate swim diapers. Last year at Rehm, on 2 separate occasions, I saw infants/toddlers in the pool wearing regular diapers (NOT swim diapers). The rule about swim diapers should be strictly enforced - perhaps even require parents show the cashiers that they are in possession of the proper diapers. Regular diapers are not appropriate for pools, and present a health hazard (not to mention that is just disgusting). some type of dome for "under shield" not necessarily indoor swim classes better locker rooms and updated sanitation procedures (re: garbage cans) & reestablish parking regulations or bigger parking lot Please keep lanes available for lap use for both swim teams in Oak Park as well as all who would like to do laps. 1 1 Stop blowing taxpayer dollars or unnecessary crap! The pools are find with water, sun, and lifeguards. There are too many umbrellas on the adult deck! We are there for sun and there is not enough room as it is. I would like 1 to enter earlier in the morning. Also, weather permitting, to open before Memorial Day and stay open later in September. How come there is not a selection "None of these features" for guestion 8? None of these features help to teach our children to swim and increase the liability for the village. How do you keep someone from drowning? You teach them to I'm not sure I support ANY of those amenities, because my concern is keeping the pools designed for lap swim, and even expanding lap swim hours. We are a large and devoted constituency, and with only one pool open for lap swim, it is sometimes extremely crowded. It's fine if the sand goes away. Not really appropriate for a public pool. There are better ways to go for small kids. Don't forget the Seniors in all this too. Oak Park really needs a year round pool option. It would have been great to incorporate that with the Ridgeland Common re-do in conjunction with District 200. However since Rehm is next up for a re-do a year round option would be sucessful (IMO) Maintaining lap swim times, or increasing them, should be a priority, especially for the Oak Park youth swim teams and adult masters swim teams. I like all the ideas, but also feel the need to preserve lap swim. Therefore, any new facilities should not reduce lap pool time. My kids are young now, but will grow up. The pool should continue to support them as they age. It is important that it is not only geared toward babies and young children. I think the Diving well at Rehm could be out to better use. It's a great space, but it's underutilized and the slides could be

	changed. Also, while additional "Turf" always looks good on paper, it usually just ends up being an eyesore when trampled. Plus it's costly to maintain.
1	I think that the area at the east end of the pool with the play area in the zero-depth pool should be separated from the main tank. I like the idea of removing the sand lot. Admission prices are also a bit high. The resident swim pass should also be structured so that it's free to get \$6 admission, instead of having to pay to get that discounted price.
1	I wish there were a dedicated lap lane during other pool hours. I have belonged to other pools that have such amenities. The "safety breaks" are not enough time to get in a short lap workout, but some of us are not up to swimming for a full "lap swim" period, rendering that option not cost effective.
1	They need to be equiped for lap swimming and use by club swim teams. For example, it is really hard to lap swim in Rehm pool when one of the walls is not a complete wall in the shallow end.
1	If any new items are added to the pools, please do not reduce the amount of lap swim available. Thanks!
1	12 yrs in OP & going to the pools. Adult space = adult space - period. Have a child (college), not someone who doesn't like kids but the pool & multiple activities, adults needs our own area. No teenagers either. Have more/better seating available. Unless you arrive when pool opens, you're out of luck. Allow people to sit in the pool gutter, there are TOO MANY restrictions - yeah, I know, it's for our safety. Or is it more for the teenage lifeguard? Chill w the constant whistle blowing. Give a 16 yr old a whistle & they think they have all the power! Allow floatation devices after 1 - especially when not busy. Yes, I realize what I say doesn't matter to whomever is reading this & the never-ending rules/regs of OP will always be - period.
1	My daughter attended swimming classes in Summer 2012. The program was great. I would've visit more but prices are expensive especially when you have a family of 5.
1	I think both pools need consistent pool hours so it does not take a calender to know when there is open swim. There is not enough parking at either pool to have it be useful for all of Oak Park to use one facility at a time.
1	I hate the idea of turning our limited pool space into a water park. We NEED INDOOR SWIMMING!!!!!! Indoor space could be used year round and would be great for all ages. Additional "fun" items can be portable, not take up valuable real estate!!! This plan is ridiculous!!!!!!!!
1	A pool is for swimming. Laps for swimming are in short supply as it is. These additional structures add liability issues to the village in addition to taking away from what the pool is meant forlearning how to swim and exercising. Being able to swim is a life skill everyone should have.
1	As you consider features, I'm sure insurance costs will come into play. Those in turn will be passed along to the users in the form of increased costs for passes. Please consider adding structures that won't increase insurance liability to keep everyone's costs down. Thx!
1	Pool time need to be preserved for basic swimming activities, i.e. lap swim, swim teams, lessons, etc. A lot of extra features also increase cost and maintainence.
1	Please do not diminish the lap swim program. I have used the pools for laps for 20 years. The 9am time slot during the week is great. As well as the early morning. Non-resident lap swim pass should be double the resident rate so it is not excessively crowded. Triathletes from other areas will pay the premium.
1	It seem Ridgeland will not have a concession stand, which is fine, but please provide picnic table area where we can eat lunch brought from home
1	When are we going to consider adding a roof to one of the pools so we can have swim and pool access all year round? This is lacking completely from the OP park district offer, and I feel that it is an area that could be improved; How about our senior citizens? we could include theraputic swim activities during the winter too. Please, do consider in your plans adding a retractable roof so, like the ice rink (only accessble to some), the pool could be used during the winter months and be accesible to everybody! Thanks!!
1	Keep the lap pool for the OPRF HS swim teams and age group Swim Teams (Team Millennium and TOPS) to be able to continue to use the facility to train.
1	If keeping the zero depth, please include a wave feature for the pools. Also include a way to block the main tank off from the zero depth as needed
1	The end of the season (mid- to late- August) gets miserably hot and pool hours suddenly get very limited. Our family is happy with the pools as they are ! So we would LOVE to see the resources you are devoting to pool equipment, instead directed toward solving this August staffing issue! OP camps are done, school is not open yet, and temps are very hot-let kids in to swim please! In our case, our family pays a lot to OP to have the kids make swimming progress in Camp Spark but we want access to daytime swim hours (not 4pm right before dinner) so they can practice what they have learned in June & July!
1	Keep the pools open longer and past Labor Day. With Oprf starting earlier and earlier in August and so much hot weather after August 1st we are not getting to use the pools when we need them most.

1	Poolside Storage so that the chairs are not used to just hold towels. Then the chairs/chaise lounges (more comfortable please) can be used for their intended purpose to sit on.
1	We love the pools and can't wait for the summer to come. Slides would be a great addition with my children getting older. Right now there are alot of features for the young children but not as much for older children. However we don't want to lose the large swimming pool. Forest Park is fun with the slides but there isn't anywhere for the kids to really swim.
1	Rigeland pool needs to stay open until 8pm like Rehm Pool. I stay closer to Rigeland then Rehm, but I go to Rehm because of the longer hours.
1	Please make no new changes to Rehm, we like the pool the way it is. We are excited to see the new ridgeland. We would like more pool hours in August. No restroom is needed at Rehm. Please add more shade.
1	We need indoor pool space for the community to use during the winter. For a community our size, the limited options of OPRF for lap swimming and the run down YMCA are not sufficient. Also we need to ensure continued use of swimming opportunities for local swim teams at community pools during the summer (high schools, team millennium, tops, etc.)
1	we would like more pool hours in August with the pool open in the am hours until Labor Day when our kids return to preschool. Overall, we like the pools the way they are and we do not want any changes. Please spend the money on more hours. An indoor pool would be a really nice addition so that we could swim all year round. Is it possible to place a roof on Rehm?
1	1. Adult only area. 2. More lawn chairs (kids take up the chais but don't sit in them). I've been to the pool and had to leave due to no chairs to lay on. 3. Eliminate birthday parties at the pool. Too messy. Do that at your own home.
1	More lap swim hours and additional activities such as such as scuba, kayaking and stand up paddle board.
1	If the sand area stays, it really needs a better outdoor shower with it. Rehm could use a larger area of gradual depth so the younger kids aren't so crowded. Love the grassy areas and that we can bring in outside food.
1	The slides which are presented for consideration look too much like the water park idea which was presented and roundly trounced by the community almost 20 years ago. we do not need to revisit this idea

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Aquatics Master Plan Meeting No. 2

Park District of Oak Park





Tonight's Discussion

- Review of Goals & Objectives
- Review of Meeting One
 - Update on grant application
 - Recap of comments
 - Survey results
- Part 1 Pool Amenities
 - Options for Pool Amenities
 - Pool Amenities Public Comments
- Part 2 Indoor Pool
 - Indoor Pool Considerations
 - Indoor Pool Public Comments
- Next Steps

Meeting No. 1 Review



Goals & Objectives

- Establish aquatics strategy for the next twenty years
- Address safety, accessibility and maintenance
- Optimize use of the pools with public input
- Improve amenities to better serve all ages
- Pool capacities remain unchanged
- Stay within limitations of existing properties



Meeting One Comments

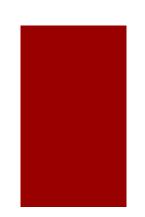
- Process felt hurried
 - Grant application deadline required rapid response to qualify for a significant funding opportunity
 - Overall process includes three meetings plus multiple surveys
- Lap swimming concerns
 - Park District will <u>not</u> reduce lap swimming access
- No space taken from Rehm Park
 - Grant application revised equipment within pool area
- Interest in an indoor pool
 - Researched the options and will discuss Part 2 later tonight

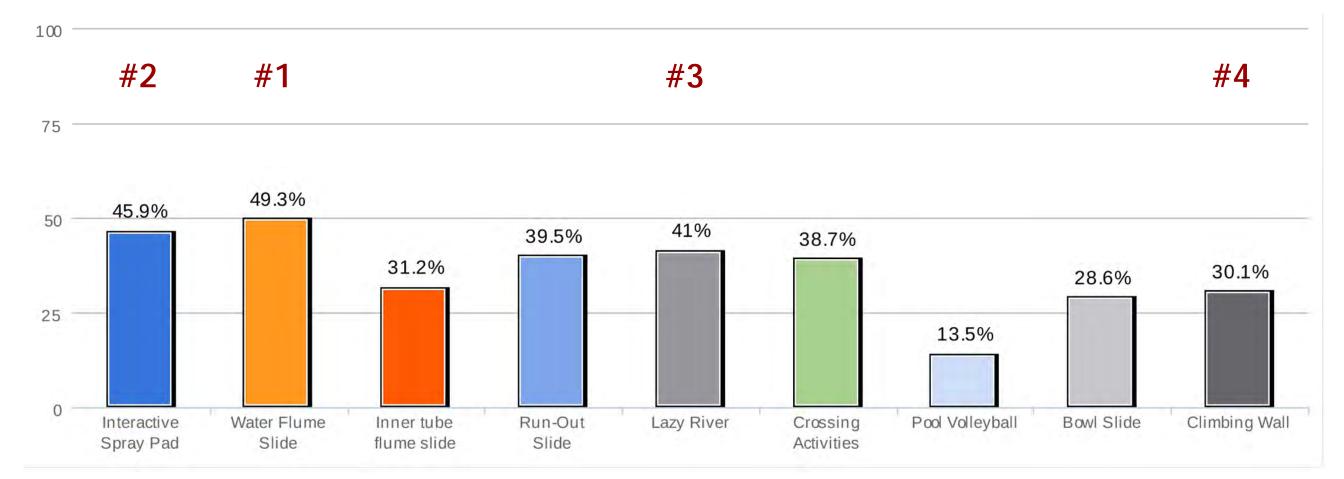


On-line Survey Results

- 491 Respondents (93% Oak Park residents)
- 8% Attended Meeting No. 1
- 84% Had pool passes in last 3 years
- 84% Have children in the household
- 32 % kids 0-4; 66% 6-12; 42% teens
- Typical respondent uses pools 1-5 times a week
- 63% use Rehm and 37% use Ridgeland Common
- 63% want additional shade structures

Optional Pool Amenities

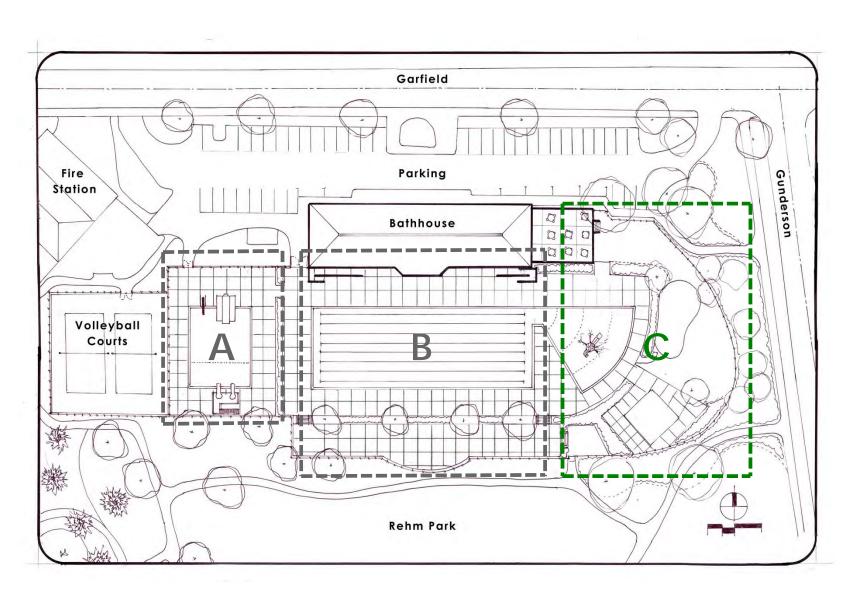




Part 1 Pool Amenities

Existing Rehm Pool Layout





A Diving well: 1, 3, 7 & 10 meter diving Drop slides

B Main Pool:50 meter lanesObservation deck

C Kids area: Zero-depth w/play features Wading pool Sand box

Kids Area Amenities (Grant Submittal)





A Existing zero-depth



B Splash Pad





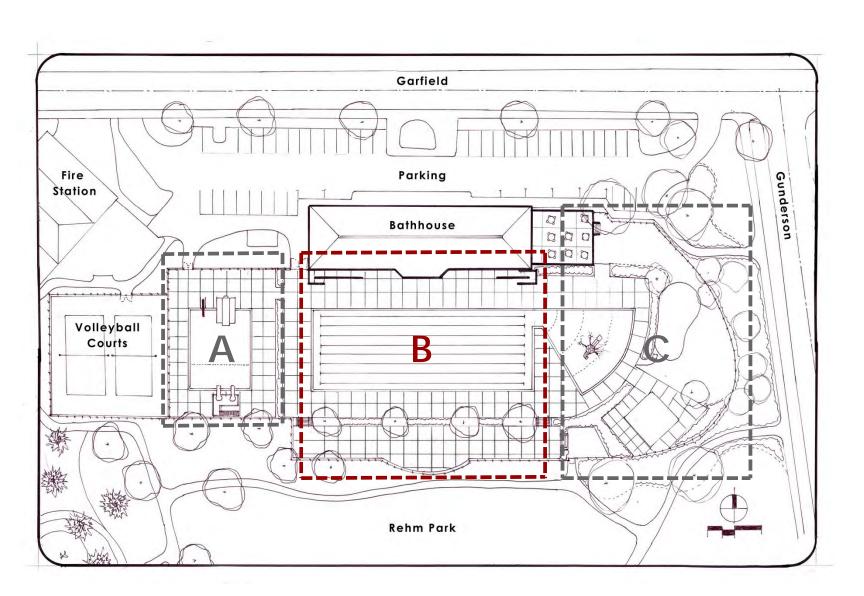
C Shading & Seating



D Lawn Area

Existing Rehm Pool Layout

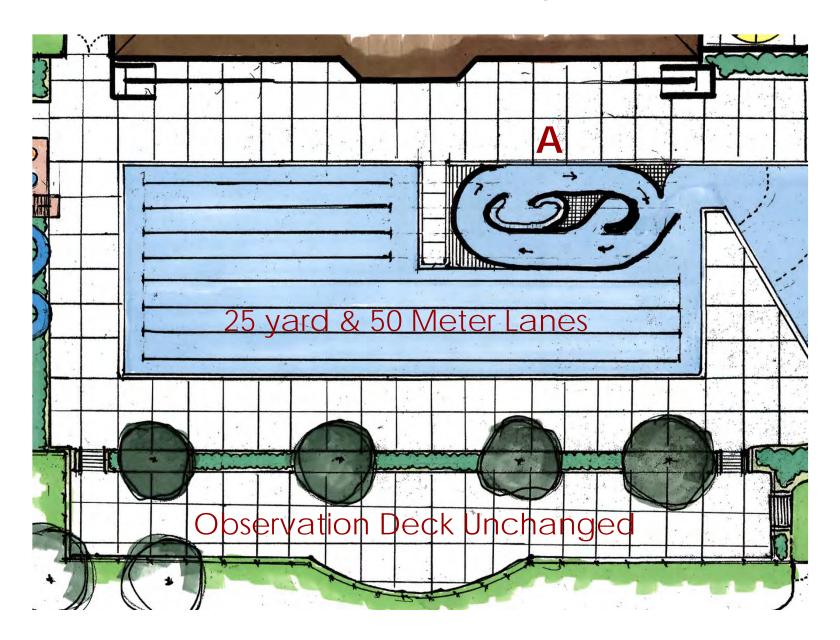




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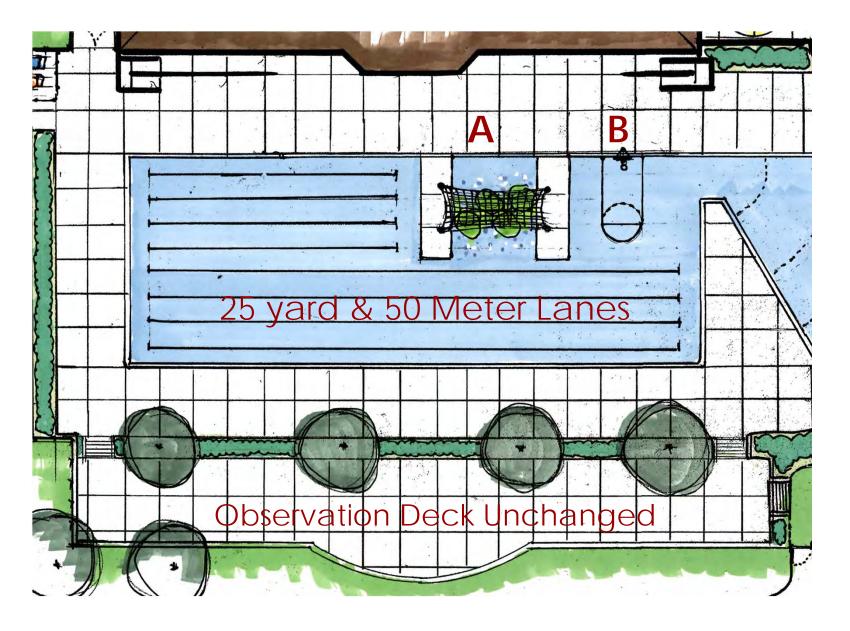
C Kids area: Zero-depth w/play features Wading pool Sand box







A Current Channel

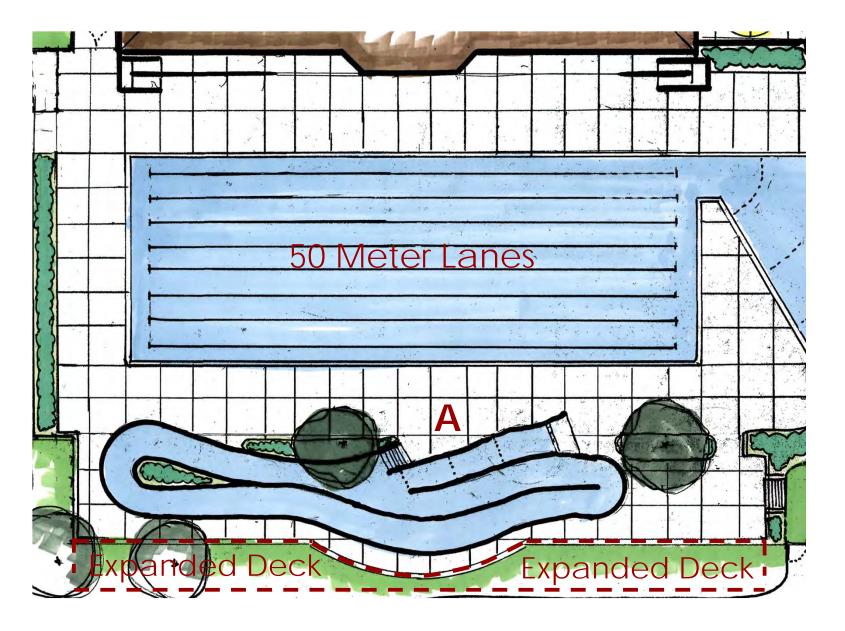




A Crossing Activity



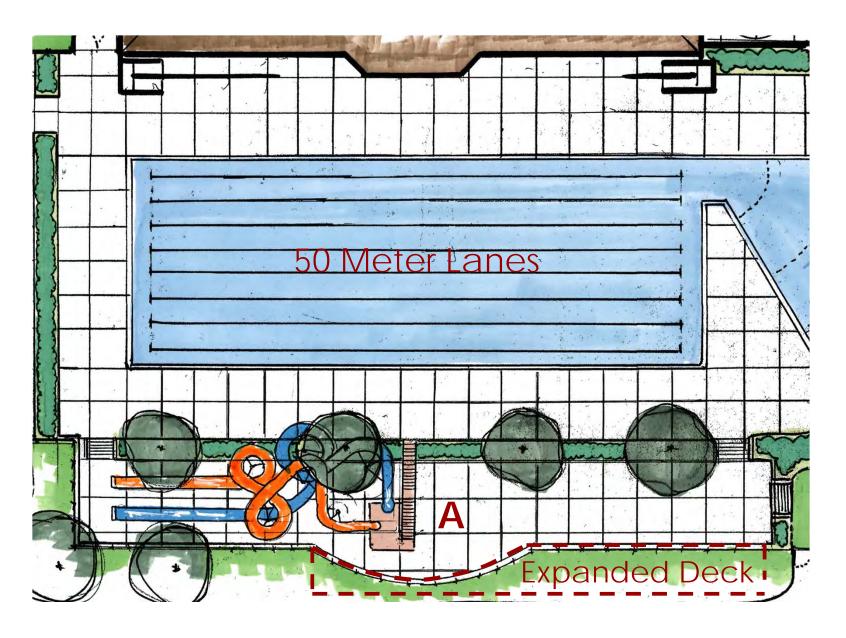
B Pool Basketball







A Lazy River



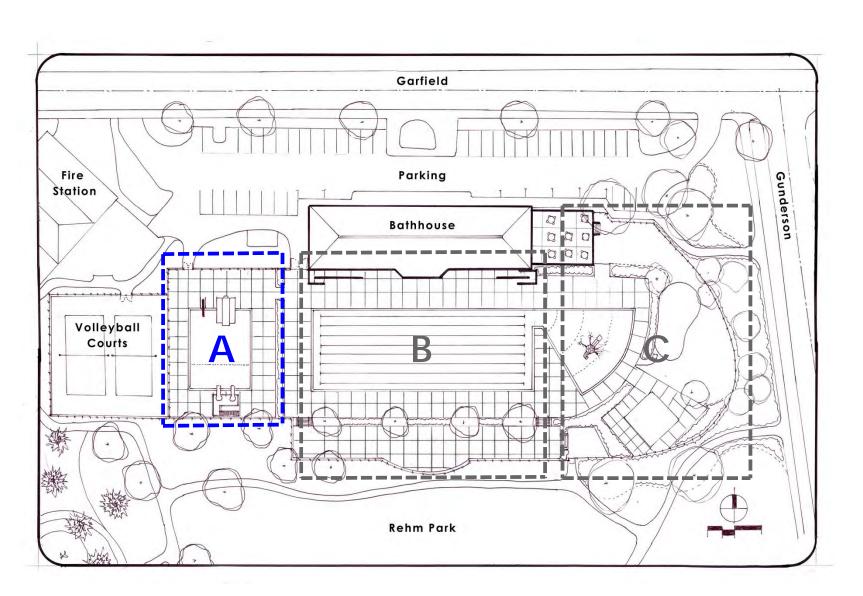




A Water Flume Slides

Existing Rehm Pool Layout





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Diving Well Amenity Options

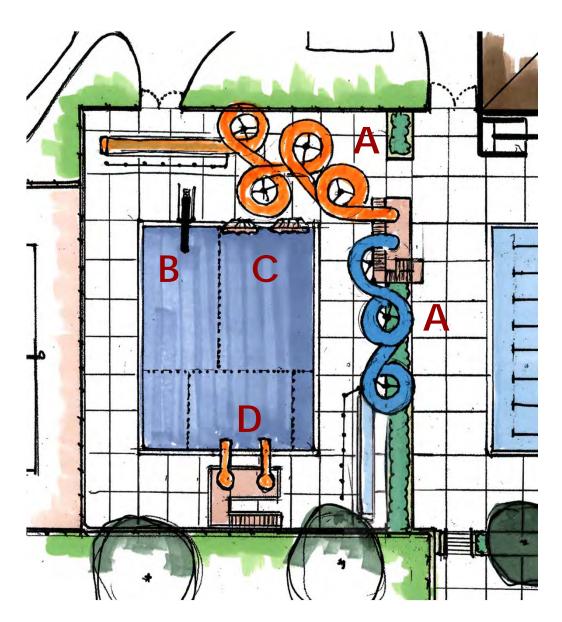




A Water Flume Slides



B 1m Diving Board



C Climbing Wall



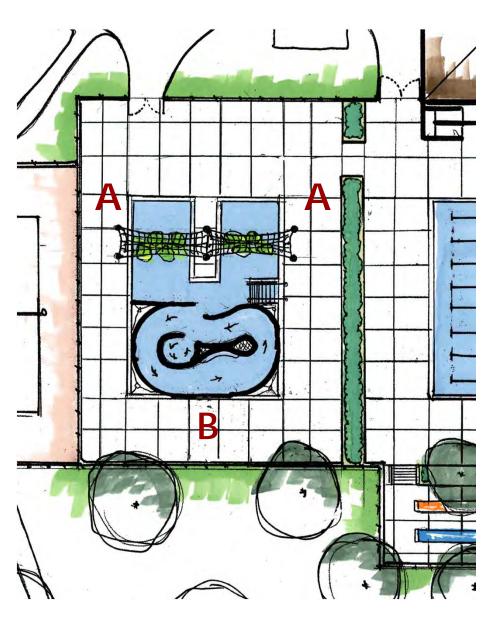
D Drop Slides

Diving Well Amenities (shallow water)





A Crossing Activities



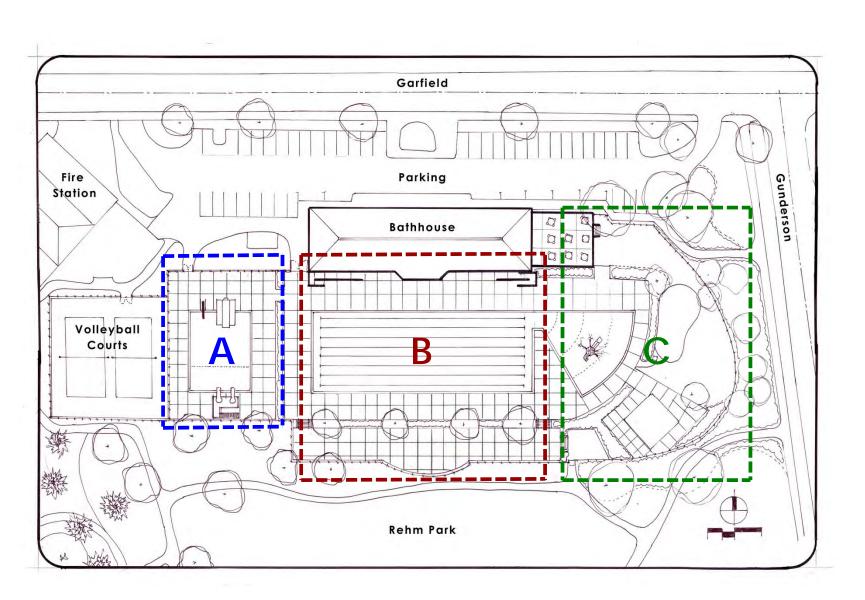




B Current Channel

Existing Rehm Pool Layout



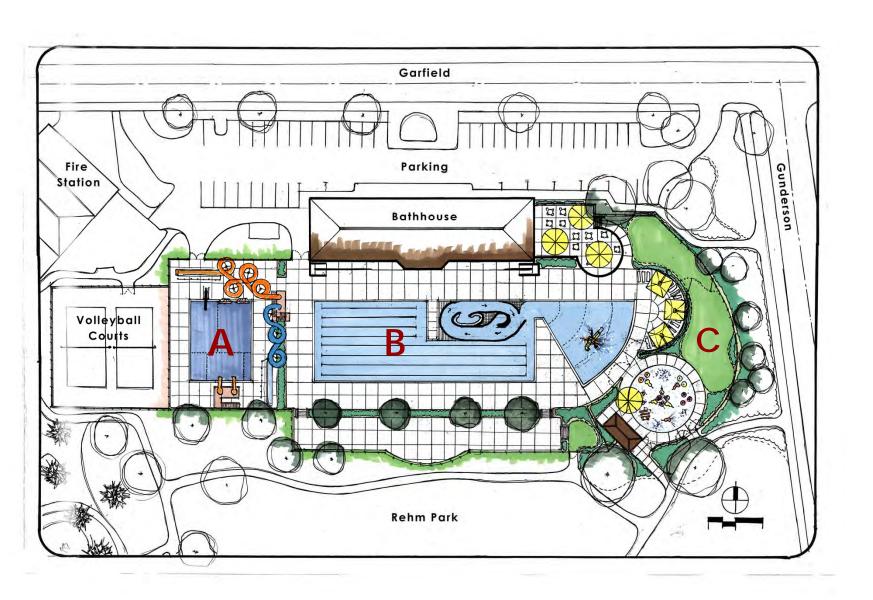


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B Main Pool:50 meter lanesObservation deck

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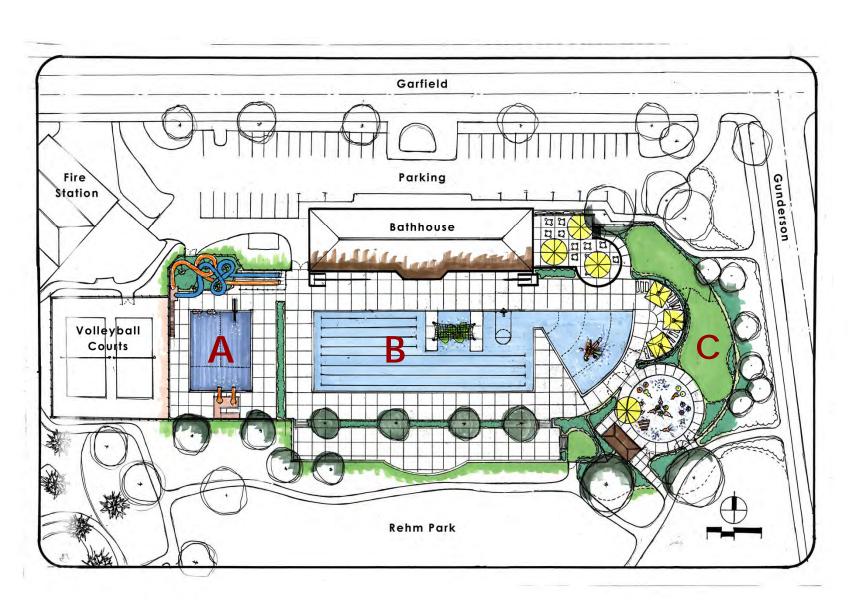




A Diving well:
Water flume slides
Climbing wall
1m diving board
Drop slides

B Main Pool: 25 yard & 50 meter lanes Current channel Observation deck

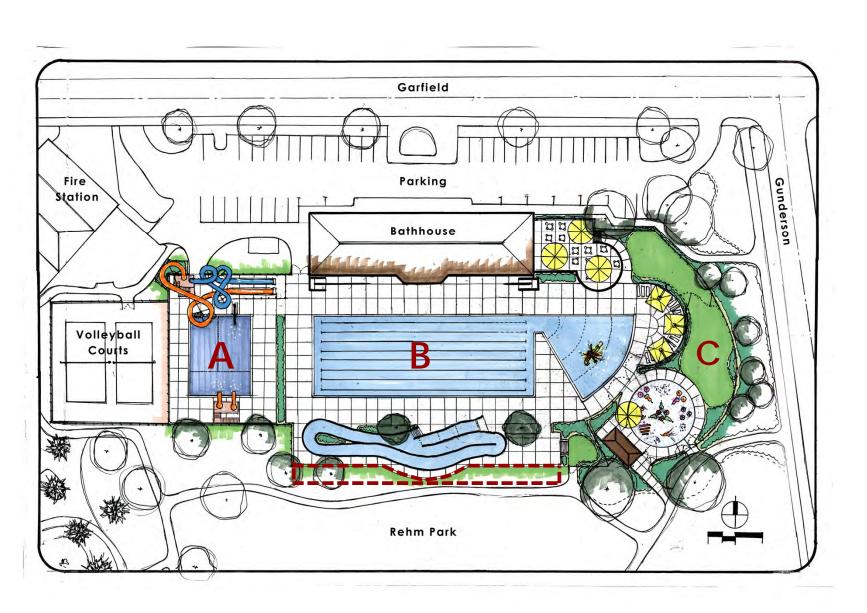




A Diving well:
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1m diving board
Drop slides

B Main Pool: 25 yard & 50 meter lanes Crossing activity Water basketball

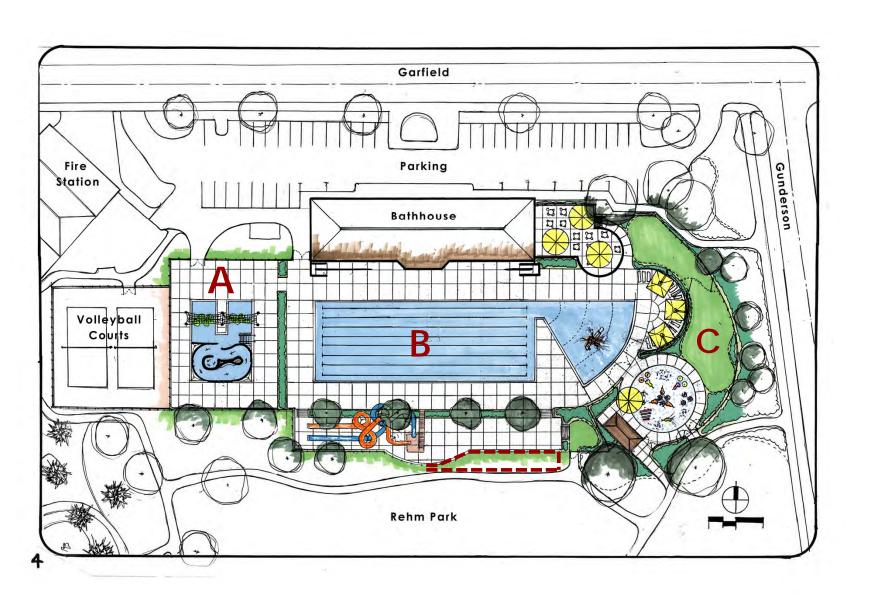




A Diving well:
Water flume slides
Climbing wall
1m diving board
Drop slides

B Main Pool: 50 meter lanes Lazy river Expanded deck





A Diving well: Shallow water Crossing activities Current channel

B Main Pool: 50 meter lanes Water flume slides Expanded deck

Ridgeland Common Amenities

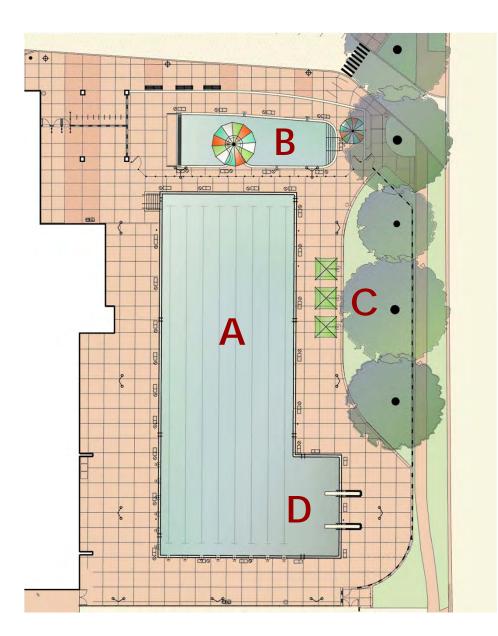




A 50 meter lanes



B Zero-depth pool





C Shades and seating



D 1 meter diving boards

Ridgeland Common Amenity Options

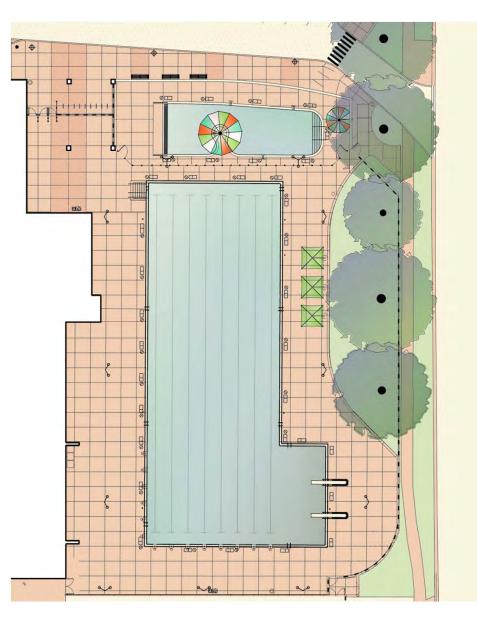




A Lessons



B Games & activities







C Inflatables

Part 1 Pool Amenities Public Comments

Online Survey at:

https://www.surveygizmo.com/s3/1630210/PDOP-2nd-Pools-Survey

Part 2 Indoor Pool



Funding Considerations

- Currently PDOP outdoor pools generate funds to be used toward capital projects throughout the Park District
- Based on research indoor pools typically do not cover all operating costs
- Indoor pool could potentially reduce funds PDOP has to allocate towards its capital improvement plan



Operational Considerations

- Indoor pools with best use mix for financial success include:
 - Activity pool for kids play
 - Lap swim pool
 - Therapy and lessons pool
- Indoor pools are typically more successful when housed within a community recreation center or fitness facility

Indoor Pool - Fabric Enclosure

- Reviewed with IDPH and building code officials
- Considered a permanent structure – must comply with all codes including fire protection and energy
- IDPH has never approved a fabric enclosure system
- Building code officials consider fabric enclosures high risk installations that performs poorly in emergency situations. Even partial failure can compromise life/safety and exiting

- Minimally engineered and lacks structural redundancy
- Not suited to varying climate insulation and energy efficiency affected by humidity levels
- Savings limited to enclosure system and offset by shorter life span
- Short term savings offset by extensive risk and liability when installed over pools

Conclusion: Permanent structure recommended

Indoor Pool-Permanent

+ operating costs

\$13m - \$16m	\$16m - \$19m	\$35m - \$40m
Additional parking needs		
Expand equipment room	Larger facility possible	
Support facilities in place	New support facility	
Size of structure	Size of structure	Limited properties
Constricted site	Larger site area	Traffic
Zoning variance	Zoning variance	Parking
20 year duration	5-10 year duration	Zoning
2014 Renovation	1996 Renovation	Purchase land
Ridgeland Common	Rehm Pool	New Facility

+ operating costs

+ operating cost

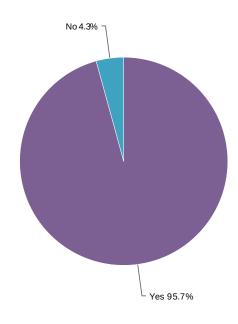
Indoor Pool Public Comments

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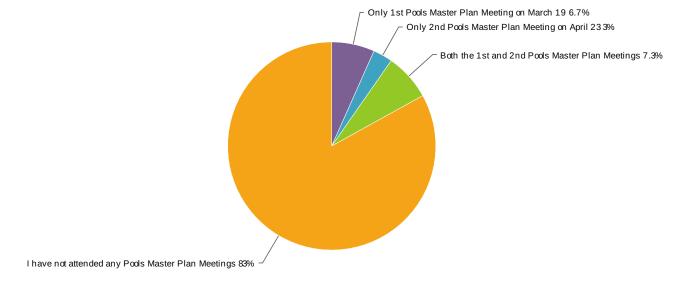
Final 2nd Survey Summary Report - May 27 2014 Survey: 2nd Pools Master Plan Survey

1. Do you live in Oak Park?



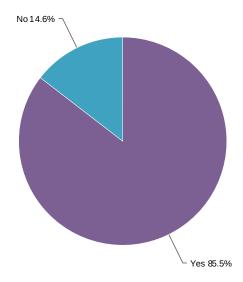
Yes	95.7%		157
No	4.3%		7
		Total	164

2. Please indicate the Pools Master Plan meetings you have attended?

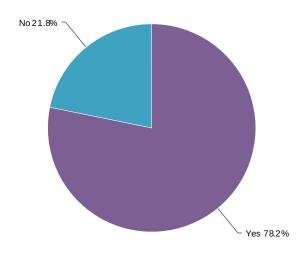


Only 1st Pools Master Plan Meeting on March 19	6.7%	11
Only 2nd Pools Master Plan Meeting on April 23	3.0%	5
Both the 1st and 2nd Pools Master Plan Meetings	7.3%	12
I have not attended any Pools Master Plan Meetings	83.0%	137
	Total	165

3. Have you owned a pool pass or lap pass in the last 3 years?

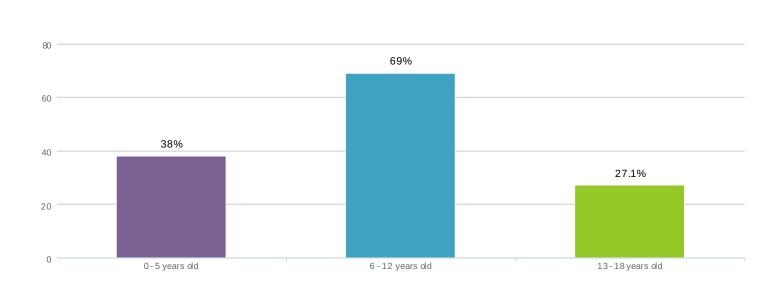


4. Do you have any children in your household age 18 or under?



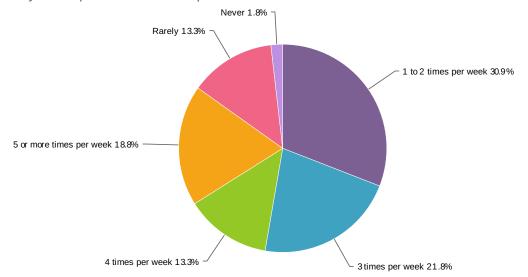
Yes	78.2%		129
No	21.8%		36
		Total	165

5. What are the ages of the children residing in your household?



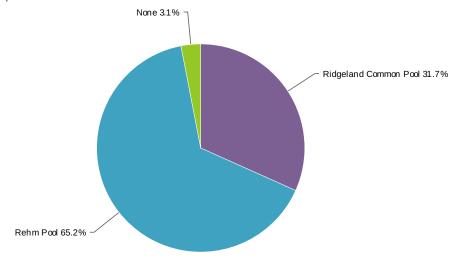
0 - 5 years old	38.0%		49
6 - 12 years old	69.0%		89
13 - 18 years old	27.1%		35
		Total	129

6. How often do you frequent Park District pools?



1 to 2 times per week	30.9%		51
3 times per week	21.8%		36
4 times per week	13.3%		22
5 or more times per week	18.8%		31
Rarely	13.3%		22
Never	1.8%		3
		Total	165

7. Which pool do you frequent the most?



Ridgeland Common Pool	31.7%	52
Rehm Pool	65.2%	107
None	3.1%	5
	Total	164

8. Please rank the 5 options for Rehm Pool in order of your preference with 1 being your top choice and 4 being your least favored. If you are completing this question on a mobile device, please turn your device to landscape view.

	Score*	Overall Rank
Rehm Pool Option C	582	1
Rehm Pool Option A	490	2
Rehm Pool Option B	451	3
Rehm Pool Option D	379	4
Do not make any changes to the main pool and diving well at Rehm Pool	278	5

Total Respondents 160

^{*}Score is a weighted calculation. Items ranked first are valued higher than the following ranks, the score is the sum of all weighted rank counts.

9. Why did you select your first choice over the other options?

Count	Response
1	Thinking of what would be best for my kids from now (17 months) and as they grow, based off my experiences growing up at Woodridge's Cypress Cove
1	Having small children, trying to protect the zero-depth area from bigger kidsgive them the diving well area away from the entrance to the baby/toddler area.
1	I like the swimming channel is close to the zero edge pool, as opposed to the lazy river which is farther away. (It would be harder to supervise multiple kids when the little kid features are further away from each other) I also like that the diving well remains deep in this version.
1	Top 3 choices preserve all 50 m lanesvery important to swimmers. D destroys diving: may be important to some users. C destroys trees and more deck space. So "no change" is bestjust refurbish.
1	I'm not sure if the changes would work well in the space, even though they're interesting ideas for more play available.
1	Lazy River. Please throw some bones to the "adults" who visit your pool frequently (those without children!) We pay high taxes, too.
1	Don't want this gimmicky stuff. Want the bathhouse remodeled. Last year the women's area was disgusting.
1	I like to swim laps and dive. I do not have young children. My tax dollars should not pay for more amenities for other people's children.
1	I prefer the lap pool remain unchanged. I really don't mind cool stuff for the kids, but don't take away space for the grownups!
1	I like that the activities are kept separate. I like that the slides do not obstruct the view from the main pool to the diving area. That is important when you are at the pool with more than one child doing different activities. It's nice to be able to glance around the property and be able to spot your children. I also like that the main pool remains just that. A pool with full lanes in tack. The lazy river is also in a separate area. This way if you want to be lazily drift around you can do so without the splashing and hub-bub of this area being attached to the larger area. In addition, I don't like the other plans because they put activities that use balls in the pool as well. This seems like it can get annoying to those who are trying to enjoy bobbing around in the main pool area. I don't want to have to be worried about balls hitting me while I am enjoying my time at the pool. Also, I believe that the diving well should remain a diving well. The reason my child and her friends go to Rehm instead of Ridgeland even though Ridegeland is closer is because of the high dive. This is where most of the older kids like to hang out.
1	because there are 25 and 50 meter lanes which promote kids and learning how to swim and then hopefully join rhe swim team
1	I love the transformations suggested for the current diving area, including the climbing wall and water slides.
1	I want to swim laps. Options A and B reduce the number of lanes for laps. Option B would introduce balls bouncing around little kids who may be hurt. It has happened to me, so, I would not like the option with the waterbasket.
1	I think a lot of older kids enjoy water basketball that would otherwise not enjoy the pool as much.
1	I liked the sand. I liked the baby pool. for very small children it was a great option not available elsewhere. The sand especially made it feel like a beach. no other place has sand, but should.
1	retains existing pool and zero depth layout, adds amenities to diving well area and other excess real estate
1	i would like some added features, but not too many so t hat the people does not become a water park and there still room to swim and I can find my kids. do not like the idea of shallow water in the diving well. Please keep the lap swimming lanes. We have used a current channel before and it was fun and active rather a lazy river which seems that it would not be big enough to really enjoy
1	I feel that the entire 50m space is utilized, especially on busy days, for lap swim and for swim team and to decrease that space would be detrimental.

I would like to keep the full 50 meter pool, but also would like to keep a diving well with boards. I love the climbing wall idea, and 1 think the lazy river would offer another fun option for many ages. 1 It best best uses diving well space and allows for 25 and 50 meter lanes with quiet activities in the main area 1 Keeps the slides away from the younger kid area, seems like that would eliminate problems with kids that are too young trying to go on the slides 1 No one in my household, indeed no one I know, will use those extras, and we have not been informed of their cost. 1 Flume Slides / Climbing Wall. My ideal layout is: Option A for the Diving Well Area, 2 more flume slides on the south patio (as shown in Option D), and either the Current Pool (Option A) or the crossing activity (Option B) for the main pool. I am against the lazy river. More Flume = More Fun!!! The pool serves patrons well as is, and the park district budget should be spent on preserving the pools or building an indoor 1 pool. 2 50 M pool 1 50m lanes and lazy river 1 25 yard area is good and spring board diving 1 1 things are fine already 1 want as much lap swim as possible 1 prefer 50m lanes, lazy river & some changes to the diving well 1 provides the most features. 1 seemed to have the best flow for all the additional items seems like best use of space with the most options. Not fond of "Current Channel" 1 1 seems easiest and cheapest to incorporate 1 more lap lanes 1 maintains status quo 1 maintains pool size, enhances well, not crazy about lazy river 1 maintains diving well and keeps kids stuff separate 1 leave well enough alone 4 lazy river 1 lazy river! 1 lazy river is great for hosting non swimmers 1 lazy river and large lap area 1 like the climbing wall, crossing activity and the 25 yard lap swim option 1 like the pool the way it is, no need to spend \$ on this like cross over 1

1	no change to the actual pools
1	i realy like the idea of having a climbing walland current channel.
1	it keeps the main pool as open as possible
1	it adds ammenities without taking away any space from the main pool
1	it was closest to what I want.
1	half the main pool is cut down to 25 yards in the others.
1	has new features and retains some better older features
1	has lazy river
1	keeps diving well fun, adds water flume slides and lazy river
1	keeps the full deck and adds slides and crossing feature
1	expanded shade area
1	deep diving well and more fun options while maintaining 50 meter pool
1	deep well and lap lanes
1	flumes, climbing wall & basketball
1	amenties offered flume slide, climbing wall basketball and crossing activity
1	best balances multi-age needs
1	best balance for young and old
1	basketball
1	THE LAZY RIVER
1	The variety and nice layout.
1	The right mix of options and features
1	The lazy river, and multiple lane length options
1	This option pretty much kept the diving well and main pook in tact
2	We like the pool the way it is. Spend the \$\$ on an indoor, all year around pool.
1	Water Flume Slides and Current Channel
1	Variety of features
1	Pool is great; shade has been terrible!
1	Preserves room in main pool and lazy river keeps diving
1	Slides and lanes
1	Seems best way to introduce more and keep what is best
1	Retains larger pool area; longer lazy river
1	Maintains swim/dive functionality but added features for the little ones.

1	More to do
1	More utilization of diving pool
1	Most user friendke
1	Largest lazy river
1	Lap Swim
1	Lap lanes
6	Lazy river
1	Lazy river is included
1	Lazy rivers are fun!
2	Lazy River
1	Least expensive
1	Liked it being spread out better
1	Looks fun for older kids
1	Nice balance of activity & space
1	Nice variety of amenities without overdoing it
1	Integral play areas
1	It might help keep the kids in Oak Park
1	It leaves the pool with al 50-meter lanes, and I like the lazy river
1	It leaves the main pool intact
1	It offers the most amenities for my children
1	It is a more responsible way to spend taxpayers money and it is safer
1	It has more water
1	It creates the least change in the diving well and main pool.
1	I like that you can see the slides from the kiddie area better.
1	I like the big open pool area
1	I like the lazy river option best
1	I like the idea of a lazy river
1	I like the slides on the side and the 50 m pool
1	I like the pool the way it is. No need to create a water park.
1	I love the lazy river.
1	I do not like any of the options
1	I don't want to change the adult deck.

1	I am opposed to any reduction in lap swim lanes
1	I thought it would be better for the kids
1	I think B or C would work equally well for a variety of ages
1	I want to keep more options available for swim lanes due to lack of swim lanes in Oak Park
1	I want to preserve the 50 meter pool format. I swim laps at least 4 times a week.
1	I want a regular swimming pool, not a theme park. Not necessary !!!
1	Happy medium on changes
1	Keep the pool the way it is
1	Keeps the 50M pool lanes clear
1	Keeps diving available, doesn't interrupt lap swim, but new slides!
1	Keeps main pool in tact but still adds bonus features.
1	Easier to keep track of children of different ages
1	All options except no change except no change reduce lap swimming and deep water aerobics
1	Believe that too many activities may make for a chaotic pool.
1	Because the lazy river will be able to hold more kids than the current channel.
1	Because of the lazy river feature
1	Because of the Lazy river
1	Best Mix of Options
1	Best amenities
1	Best use of space and maintain diving well
1	Ralance between fun and lans

10. Please rank the following 10 amenities for Rehm Pool in order of your preference with 1 being your top choice and 10 being your least favored.

	Score*	Overall Rank
Water Flume Slides	1065	1
1 meter Diving Board	935	2
Lazy River	930	3
Drop Slides	866	4
Current Channel	797	5
Climbing Wall	782	6
Crossing Activities	719	7
Water Basketball	638	8
None of these	495	9
Shallow water pool to replace diving well	408	10
Adult Whirlpool	0	11
Sand Play	0	12

Total Respondents 161

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11. Do you have any additional ideas or comments regarding Park District of Oak Park pools?

Count Response

- I think its great we are updating our pools to make them more modern and keep Oak Park residents buying Oak Park pool passes. We buy passes for the entire family each year, I wish that I could also go during lap swim with my pool pass, or go for %50 discount, since I'm already a pass member. I think its important to keep space in the main pool for swim teams and lap swimmers, but the new features elsewhere sound really great. I would definitely like to keep some diving boards, my kids just love the boards.
- Further consideration should be done over making an indoor structure. Tied into Ridgeland Common could be very useful for the Park District.
- Indoor pool seems like it's a good option since it's so cold in our area year-round. I swim at FFC, and there are often teens swimming there, where it's not appropriate and there is no lifeguard. They seem like they might use a public indoor pool year round. As for me, I really enjoy the option for outdoor swimming when the weather is nice, so I say keep the 50M lanes as clear and open as possible for lap swim! If I had kids I would definitely use the splash pad, kids pool, and other amenities.
- Lower the price of pool passes. So expensive for my family of six. Would like to pay a family price rather than a per person price. Concerned that the new amenities will result in increased pool pass cost, otherwise, how will these improvements be paid for. We like the pools the way they are.
- 1 Cover the pool for year round access. It would stop FFC from drawing away so many swimmers who could be spending fitness \$\$ at PDOP.
- Yes we need 365 day access in Oak Park pools. Currently I have to drive to other townships and take my money elsewhere to swim from mid August through to May. This is money that could stay in Oak Park. There are more than enough people who would frequent pools the year round for you to make this a priority. You ignored this obvious step during the planning for Ridgeland's re-development, providing instead 365 day skating. But with the potential re-development of Rehm a covered pool with Fall/Winter access should no longer be avoided. Currently the pools close way too early in the season we still have at least 6 weeks of good weather ahead of us when you close and it is frustrating to drive past pools with locked gates when it is 90 degrees outside. Do something about it, because people will pay higher pass fees for increased access. Thank you for your time.
- 1 Change the main pool to have a zero depth entrance, or at least more shallow, so more younger/shorter kids can swim in it.
- Oak Park should have a indoor swimming pool to offer the residents year round swimming just like the ice rink that will be year round now.
- I don't want to see any more improvements if it means my taxes are going up more. We can't even afford a pool pass anymore. The prices are much higher than they should be for what we get. All park district stuff is not worth the price anymore. I have been going to river Forest were prices are still cheaper even for a non resident.
- 1 Please don't add any of the drop and drag options to either the Rehm or RC pools. There is no room to make either pool into a water park without destroying or limiting adult lap swimming even more profoundly than at present. Please provide access to the diving (deepest water) and shallowest areas of Rehm and RC during lap swim hours for lap swimmers to do their own water aerobics. If residents wish to attend a water park, let them go to private facilities that specialize in such offerings. Please build a public, indoor, year round aquatics and fitness center modeled on the one in Kearns, Utah. I wrote a detailed article about what should be included in such an A&FC, which is available free online at www.kopfc.com/Share/index.html or http://www.kopfc.com/Share/Howto50M.pdf . The model A&FC in that article is at the Kearns, Utah Park District. Despite having a fraction of the per capita income as OP and RF, it offers world-class, year-round public facilities at a rock bottom price of \$215/year for an entire family and \$130 for an individual - or half that for seniors (see http://www.kopfc.com/Pages/GeneralIndexPages/Memberships.html). Kearns' rates are 10-20 times lower than at FFC, the YMCA, Loyola or Gottlieb and the PDOP, which charges more for its "seven Sundays of public indoor lap swimming" on an annualized basis than FFC charges for an annual Premier Membership that includes everything. For example, according to the PDOP, you charge \$4.29 each for 7 Sunday adult indoor lap swimming sessions from March 2 through April 13, 2014 at OPRFHS from 7-8:30 a.m. That's \$1566 on an annualized basis --- i.e., more than \$100 more than FFC. The difference is that all OPRF property tax payers have already paid for the OPRFHS pools and should be able to use them for free. Again, SHAME ON YOU for so grossly overcharging for such lousy, inadequate hours and services. At least at FFC, adult patrons get free towels and can lap swim every day for many more hours throughout the day. Moreover, the Montgomery County,

Maryland park district also offers eight lavish, outstanding, public, indoor, year-round aquatics and fitness facilities comparable to those in Kearns (http://www6.montgomerycountymd.gov/rectmpl.asp?url=/content/rec/thingstodo/aquatics/index.asp). If such disparate park districts can provide such outstanding services, so can Oak Park and River Forest. It's time the PDOP collaborated with the RF PD and OPRFHS/D200 to build such a facility. More than half of D200 residents support using some of OPRFHS's \$150 million cash surplus to fund an A&FC. I know this because I got the advisory question on the ballot last year. Contrary to your spokesman's proud announcement at the last pool masterplan meeting, it is outrageous that D200 would even consider building a \$70 million aguatics center only for use by high school students and not for use, all day (5 a.m. through 10 p.m.), every day, 365 day a year by ALL residents of D200. Indeed, it would be outrageous at any price. It is also outrageous that D200 and PDOP and RFPD discriminate against and exclude seniors from employment from paid life guard and fitness center duties in favor or hiring children. It is not necessary to provide life guards during adult lap swims. NONE of the nearest private indoor health clubs (FFC, Gottlieb, Loyola) employ lifeguards for any of their pools at any time. If you're concerned about liability, make adult lap swimmers sign an iron-clad, legally binding waiver of liability on a swim-at-your-own risk warning at registration. Not having lifeguards might facilitate opening the pools earlier (at 5 a.m.), keeping them open to adult lap swimmers at times when nothing is scheduled, and keeping them open later, until 10 or 11 p.m. daily. Heating the water in the pools and diving wells to 85 degrees when the air temperature is below 75 degrees - AND providing quality showers with good individual hot and cold water controls -- would enable the pools to open May 1 and to remain open through September 30 or even October 31, particularly if you either provided no lifeguards or hired adults and Seniors to lifeguard. It is time to eliminate D200, PDOP, RFPD, D90 and D97, OPT, RFT, and all the other separate and wasteful taxing bodies in Oak Park, River Forest and Cook County. All local government agencies would have to operate much more cooperatively and efficiently if they had to compete for a single pool of tax dollars. The only renovation necessary at Rehm is to install functioning showers in the women's locker room and to provide hot and cold running water in all shower stalls that flows at a decent rate and is not too hot or too cold to stand under comfortably, as it is now. The location for the A&FC could be on the same block as Rehm park (by buying up the residential properties at the south end of East Avenue and Scoville between Harvard and the south boundary of the existing PDOP Rehm property there). Alternatively, purchase land for the A&FC across Lake Street from RC or across Scoville from OPRFHS. For example, there is a large, very old brick apartment building at Scoville and Lake plus the other businesses on the north side of Lake between Scoville and Ridgeland that could be purchased as fair market value that would provide a fine site for the requested A&FC. If additional width were required, adjacent lots to the north currently occupied by single family homes could also be purchased at fair market value. There would easily be enough space for several indoor pools, an indoor water park, a fitness center and parking. Safe, lighted, climatecontrolled enclosed under-ground or over-street walkways could connect OPRFHS, RC and the new A&FC and parking, Since D200 has the big bucks, locate the new A&FC at a site most convenient to its students. Although I suspect that it would be significantly less expensive to purchase the properties adjacent to Rehm than the properties across from RC, D200 would never fund an A&FC there since it is not convenient to D200 students. Extend week day early morning lap swim hours from 5 a.m. to 8 a.m. and weekend early morning lap swim hours from 6 or 7 a.m. to 10:15 a.m. Indeed you could keep the pools open 24-7 if they were unquarded, swim-at-your-own-risk facilities before, after and in-between guarded swim hours. With all respect, your public-access ice skating hours at RC are a joke. There are 168 hours in a week but, despite being publically funded, the public has access to the new ice rink for ONLY 7.75 hours/week – just 4.6% of each week. None of those hours are early-morning/before work hours and none of them are adults only lap skate hours. Many adults who skate regularly for exercise do not want to share the rink with wild youngsters and teens. We need early morning lap skate hours (5-7 or 8 a.m.) on a daily basis (7 days/week) to make using a rink worthwhile. To my knowledge, you have never provided daily, early morning/pre-work lap skate hours for adults only. Please do so now or serious adult skaters will continue to be relegated to in-line skating on the streets. Also, please collaborate with the River Forest Park District to offer the same "in-district" pricing for passes to your aquatics and skating facilities to River Forest residents as Oak Park residents enjoy. Please also plan for a large underground parking lot with bike racks that can accommodate everyone who wishes to drive a motor vehicle to the proposed A&FC. If you really want to enable adults and seniors to use such a facility, you must make accessible parking available to them. Contrary to your remarks on 19Feb, most adults and seniors cannot or will not bike to PDOP facilities. Indeed, many seniors can't easily walk even a block, so they never come to Rehm or RC when the lots and nearby handicapped spaces are parked up. While I applaud you for putting a public, indoor, year-round aquatics and fitness center (A&FC) on your 24Apr2014 pool master plan meeting agenda, I deplore your dishonesty and misrepresentations and dismissal about using affordable, durable and reliable Sprung Instant Structures to house an A&FC. Your speakers have been spouting the same slanders and aspersions since 2011 or before and it's time you STOPPED and read what I wrote about using them to enclose a 50 meter park district pool (www.kopfc.com/Share/index.html) and also time you visited Sprung's website (www.sprung.com). It's time you and other government agencies started putting function before form to provide the year-round, indoor services we all need and could easily afford if you stopped wasting money on bricks and mortar structures that cost 10 or 100 times more and are no more durable or reliable than Sprung structures. Please be clear that I have NO affiliation of any kind with Sprung and I receive no compensation from them. Sprung just happens to make the best and most cost-effective enclosures I have found for an A&FC. By the way, your speakers at your 24Apr2014 pool master plan meeting also acknowledged that one of the top concerns and requests made by respondents to your first survey was the need for

SHADE at RC and Rehm. Clearly, many facility users are concerned about getting skin cancer and acquiring other health problems from over-exposure to the sun while using RC or Rehm facilities. As you will see in my above article (www.kopfc.com/Share/index.html), the architectural membranes Sprung uses, including those composing skylights and fenestrated doors, respectively block/absorb 100% or ~90% of incident ultraviolet wavelengths and prevent these dangerous wavelengths from reaching people inside the enclosure. This obviates the need for using sunblocks, reduces fouling of pool water from lotions and creams, and prevents sunburns and UV-induced skin cancers while inside Sprung structures. As such, it satisfies your respondents while still allowing the enclosures to be opened up via the huge doors to give an open, out-of-doors feeling when inside on nice days/good weather. With all respect, it's time the PDOP and the RF PD started giving much more value for our membership fees and tax dollars and stopped treating property taxpayers as bottomless money pits whose fitness and recreation needs you can safely ignore in favor of the needs of children and families. Singles and couples without minor children pay through the nose and get little or nothing in return for our tax dollars. It's time to provide us with daily, early morning, year-round lap swimming, ice skating and other amenities. Please do so.

- I don't mind any changes to the deep well pool. I'd like to see as much go over there as possible. As I mentioned, I'd like to have the adult deck remain the same sized area.
- Think Big. Offer More than Forest Park. More Flume = More Fun. With two slides, they'll be longer lines. Four slides is better. Current pool can be used by all ages while a crossing activity is typically just the young kids so I'd lean toward the current pool. Lazy river takes up too much space, would be clogged with too many people / people would hoard flotation devices which would cause problems. Permanent basketball not needed, portable hoops much better solutions. A game can be played in lap swim area, when lap swim is not being used.
- There are too few swimming options as is in Oak Park, and taking away lap swimming lanes, times, is a disservice to the swimming public.
- I have a daughter on the swim team and I think there needs to be an option for them other than Ridgeland to accommodate swimming lanes
- Seems like all our parks are for children, with nothing left for adults, who pay the taxes. All the parks have become ball fields. Our tennis courts became a skate park. Let us have a little happiness swimming laps.
- I wish the pools the lifts for wheelchair users were working properly 100% of the time. And that the staff was trained better on disability issues. I also wish the cost was not so high. Too many can not afford to go to the pools. The Chicago Park District has all this. Their indoor lap passes are only \$40 for 3 months and they can swim 7 days a week. I have never had a problem with wheelchair accessability at the pools I swim at for lap swim.
- 1 I think the list and plans are well thought out. I am concerned about the amount of sunning space. I'm also disappointed that the sand area is going away.
- I would hope that the changes will be long-lasting and not fleeting fads that will need to be taken out in a few years. The District should be good stewards of our collective tax dollars.
- 1 Maintain overall pool size; lazy river eats up too much seating...discount guardian passes for ppl who do not use the pool, but must be present with children
- all of us adults are looking forward to getting our adults only deck back. We enjoy our somewhat quiet place to read or have adults only conversation. Thanks
- I have very much enjoyed using the pools the last several years with my kids. It is a stretch for our budget so my concerns are maintaining affordability. Also, making sure that the whole age range of kids enjoys their time at the pool. I also appreciate more shade as we are all pale red-heads. Thank you for soliciting community input!
- 1 I really like the climbing wall and both slides, maybe the deep end could be deeper and get diving blocks somewhere
- 1 Change NOTHING. Use money to fix problems that need fixing. It looks like your turning rham into a water park.
- We love living a few blocks away from Ridgeland Common pool. I'd guess most people feel the same way, so if another pool is added, I hope you'll think strategically about where in town to put it.
- we need to keep a number of available swim lanes at each pool in oak park. This is critical to the swim programs in the area

that utilize the public pools during summer. 1 The priority should be to create high-quality athletic facilities and not to try to create some half-a**ed water park. Invest in topquality materials, mechanicals (especially heating and filtering), and maintenance rather than on adding cute features. 1 When is OP going to get a year-round indoor pool? Are you trying not to step on the West Cook YMCA's toes? 1 Don't make it TOO complicated & consider the cost of insurance. Do we really need three types of slides? Do not like current channel could potentially be dangerous .. Even in small area like whirl pool kids can get dragged under. Lazy 1 river a waste.. Fun at Cermak Aquatic center but don't see you having inner tubes in terms cost/ maintenance. Lifetime Fitness has currents/ lazy river and boring and have to hold kids. Need diving board to further diving. Not sure how climbing walk works with water but my kids like it . Basketball everyone can do.. Have as many as can bc will be popular and not sure how usage will be determined. Have no idea what crossover activities are! need drop slides or some kind of slides. Re an indoor presence, can not another existing pool be used as you are currently doing with oprf. I would do water except 1 isles if offered which I currently do at triton 1 I would like to see more hours in August. Why are the pools open so few hours in August compared to Forest Park? Please allow the kids the opportunity to dive, I am concerned by the shallow water additions in the current diving area. Would these new features result in the need for more lifeguards and a rise in the price of pool passes? The pool passes are already quite expensive compared to other towns. Please improve the concessions. Why are the food choices so unhealthy? 1 We really need an indoor pool, why spend \$ on a pool that is only used for 3 months of the year. Time to save the \$ for an indoor pool. Concerned about the cost of additional items, give us a tax cut instead of continuing to increase our taxes. 1 An indoor pool that children and adylts can use during the winter fall and spring and that the swim team can use 1 I like the idea of a splash pad for Rehm, but I would want it accessible to all patrons of the park. I would like more grassy areas for families and the adult deck to return. I do not want a climbing wall. I would like the platforms removed and diving boards return. I do not want to lose or move the tennis courts. Beach volleyball should remain, as it is always in use. Put in a lazy river for kids and families but also include either the shallow water crossing or the current channel in the main 1 pool. 1 More time for seniors to swim without kids. Want more family swim hours and less public swim hours. 1 It's unfortunate that this master plan was not completed ahead of 1) the Rehm Park master plan and 2) the Ridgeland Common redesign. It appears having one pool as a "swimming pool" with 50 meter lanes and diving with a second pool being a "play pool" with slides, lazy rivers and the rest may have been a good approach. 1 The bathhouse at Rehm was poorly maintained last year. The women's room was disgusting. Switch the men's and women's back to the original design. Give families with more kids a break. Many of our friends now go to Forest Park because it is more affordable. 1 Yes I was wondering why the second meeting was held at Chaney Mansion? It seemed like it was to discourage attendance 1 I know kids love to swim, and as a teacher, I really do know how important it is for the community to provide these resources for our kids. That said, I do not have children, and I LOVE playing in the pool. I am NOT a strong swimmer, so I can't really swim laps. How glorious it would be to have "adults only" time we could get some exercise and not have to compete for space with hundreds of screaming, oblivious kids! It just seems the Park District forgets that there is this HUGE block of grownups who AREN'T lap swimmers who are being left out--the elderly, the disabled, the morbidly obese, the new swimmers in need of practice, the water aerobics afficionados, the doggy paddlers, the floaters, and ME, who just loves being in the water. Why are we being left out? Please, please, give us some pool time for ourselves! Turnout may be a bit low the first couple of summers, but trust me, as the word spreads, you'll get a whole new crowd. 1 Would like to see more investigation into indoor pool. Was a lost opportunity at Ridgeland since the whole building was being redone. Would like indoor pool for year round swimming option.

Temperature control. No point in investing in all of these changes if the water is too cold to enjoy.

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1 Please consider an indoor 50 meter pool. It is vital for the youth swim teams, high school swim teams, adult lap swim, and seniors who love to lap swim. Lazy rivers are relatively rare in this area, and would be a big selling point for new members. And I would love to have a lazy 1 river. Please also consider adding more adult sunning deck areas away from children. Many members do not have children, but we still support the pool and expect our needs to be respected. Many Oak Park residents currently go to the Forest Park pool in the summer because it is more kid friendly offering slides and 1 water spray activities. Offering slides and water current would be a huge opportunity to have these residents come back to Rehm pool. 1 I THINK THIS SHOULD BE BUILT BY CONTRACTORS USING PARK DISTRICT RESIDENTS...THE TAX DOLLAR SHOULD STAY IN THE CITY The Oak Park community has a right to know what these options will cost. At the April meeting, it was announced that a 1 survey regarding a potential indoor pool would include both questions about whether respondents would use such a pool and whether they were happy to pay for it. It seems only reasonable that surveys about changes to the outdoor pools should have both types of questions as well. 1 I am really excited about the added features you are proposing. The addition of the slides and the lazy river will make this pool more appealing. 1 I would be nice to have coded lockers (like they do at health clubs) to keep belongings in while at the pool instead of having to keep everything on the deck with you and then make sure someone is watching your stuff at all times. 1 GET ALL BABIES OUT of the main pools! And toddlers should be made to swim in kiddie pools only, even with swim diapers. IT IS disgusting how often the pool has to be cleared due to fecal contamination. At Rehm, close off channel from main pool from zero depth area to avoid having to close the entire pool if there's a fecal contamination incident. Hundreds of swimmers are inconvenienced due to one baby or toddler. I worked at a pool for 2 summers and this was hardly ever a problem. 1 Please make the changes that best fit with current pool to have as little disruption as possible. Also climbing wall will most likely cause the most issues with kids getting hurt. Hard enough to do when you have dry hands and feet. Just saying. 1 We need an indoor pool! 2 outdoor pools for 12 weeks a year is ridiculous. Design and indoor pool with a retractable roof or large open doors to feel like outdoors but get the best of both worlds. 50m pools competition are in great demand in Chicago - build it and they will come! 1 I think an indoor pool is a great idea - would love a masters swim team there...lap swimming, rent to club swim teams, swim lessons, water polo classes/teams, paddle boarding, synchronize swimming.... 1 Not really a fan of the climbing wall option. Seems like it would require an extreme amount of supervision and have long wait times. LOVE the idea of some sort of flume slides, but surprised they wouldn't empty into the pool like the slides at Forest Park. HATE to lose the wading pool. At crowded times the zero depth area is too hectic for babies and toddlers--I appreciated the relative calm of the wading pool for my little ones. 1 I would really like water flume slides that my 3 year olds could use like they have in Schamburg, but the proposed water flume slides could only be used by swimming age kids since they are in deep water. I do not want to look the deep water for my kids to use for diving as they get older. Thus, it makes to leave the pool the way it is rather than adding new things that the young kids can not use. I am also concerned about the cost implications of adding new ammenities. Already, it costs my family of 5, \$250.00 for pool passes. Will new features result in higher fees to use the pool? The season is so short, please add more hours in late August and have the pool open full time to Labor Day weekend. 1 It looks like there will be much less area for sun beds in all of the new plans. That is a big concern for adults. It seems like a terrible waste of taxpayer \$\$ to make huge changes to an already good pool. The addition of flume slides would be a nice extra feature that would not require a total rehab. 1 Keep safe so lifeguards have clear views. Don't close more than one season. Don't raise fees too much. 1 Concerned about changes to the pool and increases in pool pass rates as a result of these changes. We are also lap swimmers.

1 you do not need to make any changes to Rehm until you have employees that are properly trained and can have the patrons follow the rules. 1 My concern with basketball at the pool is that it eliminates a large area that is good for young swimmers. It will attract older distracted kids, again in an area with young swimmers. Not the best mix for safety reasons. 1 still would like to have plenty of pool space in the main pool that is not taken up by a water basketball court 1 This community needs an indoor pool rather than two outdoor pools that are only open three months out of the year. No need to fix something that is not broken. 1 Please, please keep the sandbox. The kids really enjoy it a lot. It is a great place for the kids to calmly play and take a break if they are tired of running around in the pool. Beside it makes it feel more like a beach. (you can swim and build a sandcastle.) And there is nothing else like it in the area. But there are several splash pads in oak park. Though the kids are outgrowing the baby pool, it was a great place for kids under 3 to go and not get run over by big kids. Please keep at least a small area for the littlest ones. Frankly, the diving area is underused and could stand a change. But the main pool and the kids area are fine. Thank you. 1 I would support one of the options that replaces some 50-meter lanes with 25 meter IF lap swimmers were allowed to use the 25 meter lanes during family and open swims. 1 I'd like to see the lap swim run through at least September. People would pay extra for that extra month, and you could attract swimmers from all over the Chicago area because so many pools shut down in August. You could charge an extra fee to those who wanted the extra month. In Deerfield, I once swam in an outdoor pool on Thanksgiving. In London, there's a yearround outdoor pool. 1 We need an indoor pool. We need to figure out how to do this. I beleive it will absolutely break even given the need for pool time in the OP area. 1 The second meeting was much better organized than the first meeting. Would like to see an indoor people, hope this will really happen. Please do not raise the pool pass fees to pay for these new amenities. Some of these ideas look quite interesting, but do not add too many new things. Please bring back family swim hours in the afternoon, it is ok to close the pool for a half an hour for family swim. Please allow toys during public swim. my kids really like to use the noodles and now there will be no time to use them except in the am. what is going on with the brick wall and the barriers that are still there. Please continue to keep the music down and respect the pool neighbors. why are they so expensive fir residents? 1 1 stay withing budget and keep operating expenses low 1 lol wut noob 1 i also like the inflatables for both pools 1 eliminate the sand and add more features for a variety of ages 1 Use existing diving structure to retro fit a big water slide. 1 Thanks for trying to make the pools more fun for a wider variety of people! 1 Thanks for asking for our input. There should be a couple more surveys. 1 While I will miss the diving platforms, they do not get enough use to warrant keeping them. 1 Why not bring back the three meter diving board at Rehm? 1 Please make them great with a variety of activities so our kids will be excited to be there! 1 Separate the fan area toward the east end of Rehm with the play area from the main tank. 1 More seating, more shade!

1	More shade, warmer water.
1	Offer lap swim times everyday
1	Nope
1	No sand please
1	Indoor swimming! Laps and kid area especially.
1	Indoor heated pool
1	Indoor 50 Meter pool is necessary for the youth swim teams, the adult and senior lap swim.
1	I love the idea of flume slides. And please keep the deep water area. Thank you.
1	I am excited about the idea of a splash pad area, a lazy river, and an indoor pool.
1	I think that an indoor pool should be a high priority in any pool plan.
1	I would love it if the food options to buy were healthier.
1	I want a regular swming pool with a diving well!
1	Hot tub!!! Healthier options at snack bar/ more food!!
1	All the proposed activities sound good - very hard to rank
1	Anyway to heat the pools? So cold in June.

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Aquatics Master Plan Meeting No. 3

Park District of Oak Park







- Recent Pool Updates
- Review of Feedback from Previous Meeting
 - Overview of Survey Demographics
 - Preferred Options & Amenities
 - Park District Board Review
- Master Plan Recommendation
 - Concept Design
 - Phasing & Pricing



On-line Survey Results

- 165 Respondents (96% Oak Park Residents)
- 17% Attended Meeting No. 1 and/or Meeting No. 2
- 86% Had pool passes in last 3 years
- 78% Have children in the household
- 38 % kids 0-4; 69% 6-12; 27% teens
- Typical respondent uses pools 1-5 times a week
- 65% use Rehm and 32% use Ridgeland Common

On-line Survey Results

8. Please rank the 5 options for Rehm Pool in order of your preference with 1 being your top choice and 4 being your least favored. If you are completing this question on a mobile device, please turn your device to landscape view.

		Score*	Overall Rank	
Rehm Pool Option C	C. Lazy River	582	1	582
Rehm Pool Option A	A. Peninsula w/Current Channel	490	2	490
Rehm Pool Option B	B. Peninsula w/Crossing Activity	451	3	451
Rehm Pool Option D	D. Shallow Diving Well	379	4	379
Do not make any changes to the main pool and diving well at Rehm Pool No Changes		278	5	278

Total Respondents 160

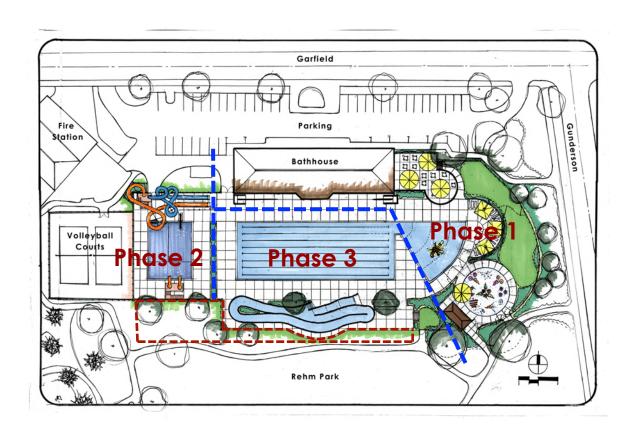
^{*}Score is a weighted calculation. Items ranked first are valued higher than the following ranks, the score is the sum of all weighted rank counts.

On-line Survey Results

10. Please rank the following 10 amenities for Rehm Pool in order of your preference with 1 being your top choice and 10 being your least favored.

		Score*	Overall Rank
Water Flume Slides	1065	1065	1
1 meter Diving Board	935	935	2
Lazy River	930	930	3
Drop Slides	866	866	4
Current Channel	797	797	5
Climbing Wall	782	782	6
Crossing Activities	719	719	7
Water Basketball	638	638	8
None of these	495	495	9
Shallow water pool to replace diving well	408	408	10

Selected Concept



Phase 1 (2015)

Kids Area:
Zero-depth w/play features
Splash Pad
Enhanced shade & seating
Expanded lawn/concession
Remodeled bathhouse

Phase 2 (2020)

Diving well:
Water flume slides
Climbing wall
1m diving board
Drop slides

Phase 3 (2025)

Main Pool: 50 meter lanes + Lazy river Improvements to existing pools Expanded deck

Refined Concept Plan



Phase 1 (2015)

Kids Area:
Zero-depth w/play features
Splash Pad
Enhanced shade & seating
Expanded lawn/concession
Remodeled bathhouse

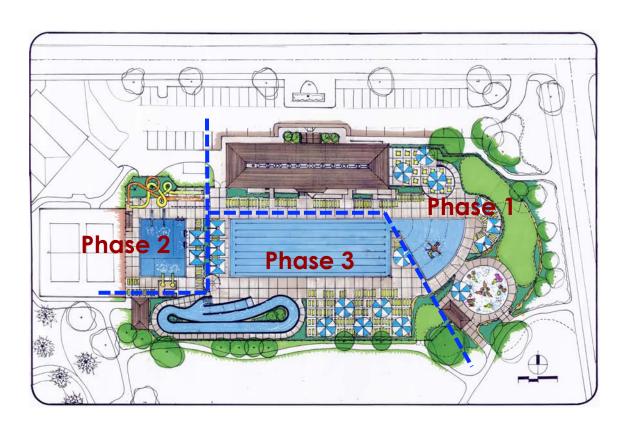
Phase 2 (2020)

Diving well:
Water flume slides
Climbing wall & drop slides
1m & 3m diving boards
New pool gutters & filters

Phase 3 (2025)

Main Pool: 50 meter lanes + lazy river Expanded deck New pool gutters

Phasing & Pricing



Phase 1 (2015) - \$2.1m

Kids Area:
Zero-depth w/play features
Splash Pad
Enhanced shade & seating
Expanded lawn/concession
Remodeled bathhouse

Phase 2 (2020) - \$1.8m

Diving well:
Water flume slides
Climbing wall & drop slides
1m & 3m diving board
New pool gutters & filters

Phase 3 (2025) - \$3.1m

Main Pool: 50 meter lanes + Lazy river Expanded deck New pool gutters

End of Presentation

To view all community meeting presentations and survey results visit pdop.org/about/oak-park-pools