



City of Santa Barbara
Parks and Recreation Department

Memorandum

DATE: July 18, 2007
TO: Parks and Recreation Commission
FROM: Aquatic Advisory Committee
SUBJECT: Annual Advisory Committee Report For Fiscal Year 2007

Committee Members

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| Aaron Goldschmidt | Committee Chair, Member at large |
| Jane Cairns | Vice Chair, Santa Barbara Swim Club–Masters representative |
| Cathey Wilkins | Secretary, Member at large |
| Greg Christman | Santa Barbara Swim Club – Age Group representative |
| Vacant | Santa Barbara City College representative |
| Vacant | American Red Cross, Water Safety Specialist, Member at large |
| Ed Edick | Member at large |
| Ada Conner | Recreation Commission Liaison |
| Judith Cook | Division Liaison |
| Rich Hanna | Aquatic Section Liaison |

Appointment Process and Meeting Schedule

The membership follows the regular process through appointment by the Park and Recreation Commission interviews. Members hold two-year terms. The Committee is scheduled to meet bi-monthly every second Friday, and hold special meetings on an as needed basis. Meetings include review of programs, feasibility committee updates, special events, fees and charges, capital projects, and any other related items

Member Representation

The Committee is comprised of four at large community members, two City of Santa Barbara representatives, one Park and Recreation Commission liaison, and three additional members including, the, Santa Barbara Swim Club - Age Group, Santa Barbara Swim Club – Masters, and Santa Barbara City College

Committee Projects/Activities

- The Committee provided guidance to Aquatic staff regarding the style, color and purchasing of new beach lifeguard towers. Towers were purchased in April with grant funds and arrived in May for the summer season
- The Committee dedicated much of their time and energy toward discussion regarding the Los Baños swimming pool deep end leak, and the connection of the waste water line to sanitary sewer.

- The Committee accepted community input regarding the increase to Aquatic program fees and charges and the proposed changes to the Resident Discount program. After zero community input the Committee recommended approval of the proposed FY-07 fees and charges, and the change in fee differential for the Resident Discount program.
- The committee continued to discuss in length the development of additional pool space for the community and provided support for the Santa Barbara Swim Club conceptual pool proposal. Members of the committee were invited to participate in a conceptual pool presentation from the Santa Barbara Swim Club to the Parks and Recreation Department.

Recommendations/Concerns

- The Committee will support the Aquatic Section in achieving the proposed objectives for Fiscal - Year 2008.
- The Committee will continue to represent the community regarding issues related to budget or programming.
- The Committee would like staff to post for existing vacancies on the Aquatic Advisory Committee to ensure that full community representation is present at each meeting.
- The committee will support Aquatic Staff and the Parks and Recreation Department regarding proposals for increased pool space in the community.