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Subject: FW: Brisbane Pool Fees

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From: Miller, Ray
Sent: Saturday, March 23, 2013 4:44 PM
To: Lucas J Salazar
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Subject: RE: Brisbane Pool Fees

Dear Donna and Cindy,

Thanks for your feedback on the pool fee structure. I was hoping that the Council would get to discuss your concerns under the Communications part of our agenda on March 18th. Unfortunately, we ran out of time before we got to that segment of the agenda. Hopefully we will have time at our April 1st meeting.

The Council accepted the recommendation of the Parks and Recreation Commission on the pool fee structure. The Commission was aware of the fact that last year the gap between costs and revenues for operating the pool was about \$400,000. If I recall correctly, there was the realization on their part that early morning use has the highest per swimmer cost. Partly that's personnel and partly it's energy cost. The question, of course, is determining what the best course of action is in response to those circumstances. The suggestion of making arrangements with major employers is certainly worth pursuing.

To be honest, I probably will not be joining you in the early morning. However, my wife is a regular swimmer, so I am aware of the benefits that the pool provides to its users on a personal level.

Sincerely yours,

Ray Miller
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From: Lucas J Salazar [donnasalazar@sbcglobal.net]
Sent: Thursday, March 14, 2013 4:09 PM
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Subject: Brisbane Pool Fees

Hello,

I am writing to complain about the upcoming change to the fee structure for the Brisbane pool. The new structure anticipates raising the fees for morning swim hours. First, the fee primarily effects Seniors and Youth. Secondly, it makes no sense, if the goal is to increase revenues.

I normally swim Monday through Friday at 6:30. There are ususally only three to five people at that hour. I have NEVER seen anyone under forty swimming at that hour. I realize that other people come later in the day, but at \$5.00 per person, I doubt that you will raise much revenue.

A much better fee scheme would charge those who swim at peak hours more and those who swim at off hours less. This would encourage swimmers to use the pool during off hours balancing the crowds and increasing capacity.

One of our early morning swimmers can swim free of charge at the Burlingame pool because she works for Genentech and they contract with Burlingame so that their employees can use the pool. She comes to Brisbane and pays non-resident fees because it is more convenient for her. She is going to go to Burlingame now because the Brisbane pool is now too costly. Why isn't Brisbane contracting with Companies so that their employees might use the pool during off hours?

The proposed pool will raise little if any additional revenue and will cause an undue hardship on the elderly.

I am told that there was a survey taken wherein people indicated they were willing to pay more to swim in the early morning. This is interesting. None of the regulars at 6:30 recall participatng in that survey. We inviteyou to come to the pool any morning at 6:30 am to meet with us.

I believe there are alternatives that need to be explored.

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