Community Meeting Summary Report

April 19, 2023

Summary:

A third community listening session to summarize recent survey results, address common questions and collect additional input was hosted on April 19, 2023. The meeting a a mix of in-person and online attendees, with overall attendance of 27 persons.

The purpose of this community listening session was to share what we have learned from the prior two sessions and the online community survey, and continue to gather feedback on prior Si View aquatic center proposals: what was missed, what should be considered in the future, and how communications could be improved.

The meeting included a presentation that outlined project purpose, the proposed aquatic center design details to-date, programming options, state of the current Si View Pool, funding plan, and the next steps in the process.

The presentation focused on some of the key questions that have surfaced. Programming options for the Phase I aquatic center are much greater than at the current Si View lap pool. Schedules were compared side by side to demonstrate how the 260 bather load and multi-zoned facility increases programming options at more desirable times.

The presentation also explained the current Si View pool status in more detail. While it is possible to expand the current facility, doing so to the level needed by the community would compromise other amenities and parking at existing Si View Park and due to the age of the facility, the cost would be high. By developing a new center, no interruption to aquatics programming is necessary as the current pool can stay open until the new center is operational. At that time Si View pool would close and the community would work through a master planning process for the future recreation uses of the old Si View pool site.

The presentation provided an update on the overall project cost, confirmed funding sources, and where taxpayers can access information on the impact on their property taxes.

The next step in the process is a statistically valid voter survey scheduled for May-June. This survey will be sent to a random sample of District taxpayers. Commissioners will use survey results and the input received from the community in the decision making process of a potential capital bond measure.

The project webpage commonly asked questions section https://www.siviewpark.org/newpool.phtml has been updated to reflect clarification questions received at the meeting, including links to the taxpayer transparency tool, direct links to the Operations Plan and Market Analysis from the full feasibility study, and expanding on the programming options FAQ response.

Residents are encouraged to direct any project related questions to staff, by calling 425-831-1900 or emailing info@siviewpark.org.