
**AGENDA
JOINT MEETING**

**CITY OF GRAND JUNCTION CITY COUNCIL
MESA COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

**WEDNESDAY, JUNE 29, 2022
1:30 PM**

**MESA COUNTY TRAINING ROOM 3A, 3RD FLOOR ANNEX
544 ROOD AVENUE, GRAND JUNCTION, COLORADO**

- 1. Discussion Topics**
 - a. Economic Development
 - b. Orchard Mesa Pool
- 2. Next Meeting Topics**
- 3. Other Business**



**JOINT PERSIGO MEETING
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Item #1.b.

Meeting Date: June 29, 2022
Presented By: Ken Sherbenou, Parks and Recreation Director
Department: Parks and Recreation
Submitted By: Ken Sherbenou

Information

SUBJECT:

Orchard Mesa Pool

RECOMMENDATION:

For discussion only

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

The Orchard Mesa Pool has provided service to the community since 1983, when it was originally built as a partnership between the School District, Mesa County and the City of Grand Junction. The project was originally built at a cost of \$1.4 million with Mesa County and the City of Grand Junction splitting the cost of construction. The School District provided the land. The County and the City have historically split capital improvement projects. The City and the County have also historically split the operational subsidy, which is operational cost minus the operational revenue from fees. The School District pays for the utilities.

Recent discussions indicated the County is reducing their contribution for 2022. The Pool Partners met to discuss the ramifications of a reduced County contribution. Closing the pool two days per week was considered given the planned reduced contribution from the County. The School District, who has recently increased their use of the facility with their swim teams and with school parties, decided to increase its contribution to cover the shortage created by the reduced County contribution.

In briefing City Council on these developments, City Council inquired about the rate of participation of non-City residents at the Orchard Mesa Pool. Participation data has revealed that a slim majority of participants are not City residents, with 51% of residents being non-City residents.

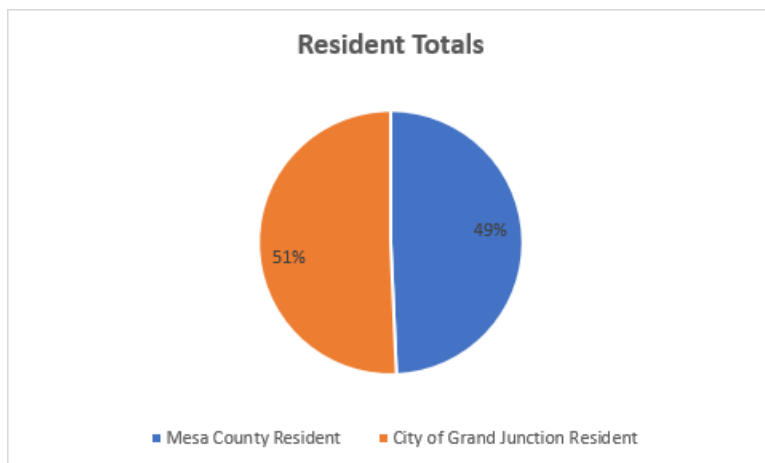
The planned major renovation of the Orchard Mesa Pool includes full replacement of electrical, mechanical, filtration and HVAC systems. The facility, at 39 years old, is past its useable life and a full renovation is required. The total cost is roughly estimated at \$3.5 million. Design will commence this fall and construction will begin in 2023.

BACKGROUND OR DETAILED INFORMATION:

To understand City versus non-City resident participation, the department reviewed 1,010 user accounts of the pool during the 2019 season. This includes swim lesson registration, facility rentals, membership purchases, and punch pass purchases. The research yielded the following:

Total Non-City Residents: 498

Total City of Grand Junction Residents: 512



This information is also particularly important given the recent recommendation by the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board to pursue Matchett Park as the site for a potential Community Recreation Center (CRC). The location preferred by the most recent and relevant data point, the survey conducted by the CMU Professors, indicated strong support for Matchett as the CRC site. City Council will consider this site recommendation at the July 6th City Council meeting. Given the possible proximity of the potential facility to many non-City residents, and the historical usage of non-City residents at Orchard Mesa Pool, a discussion regarding City and County partnership is needed.

As far as the renovation, the selection of the architect/engineer group is progressing. The Orchard Mesa Pool site visit was the week of June 20th and 6 firms have expressed interest in the project. Proposals are due July 12th and staff plans to bring the contract for the recommended firm to Council for consideration on September 7th. Once an architect and engineer group are selected, design for the renovation will commence. At about 30% design, a Construction Manager/General Contractor will be hired to provide preconstruction services to ensure cost control while still achieving

project goals. Supplemental appropriation for design services will be required and is planned to be proposed in the summer supplemental budget.

FISCAL IMPACT:

N/A

SUGGESTED MOTION:

For discussion only.

Attachments

None