

**To:** Mayor and City Council Members

Doug Faseler, City Manager

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Subject: Proposed Parks and Recreation Department Fee Changes for the 2014/2015

fiscal year.

In reviewing Parks and Recreation Department fees for the upcoming 2014/2015 fiscal year, staff has identified a need to increase the weekly fee for the Summer Day Camp program and to increase the rental rate of the Wave Pool for private parties. The justification to increase these fees is to pay for proposed hourly wage increases for the part-time hourly workers that staff the Summer Day Camp program (including the full-time staff that oversees the program) and for the Lifeguards that work at the Wave Pool. In addition, the increased fees will help offset increased costs of operating the Summer Day Camp and the Wave Pool.

As proposed, the Summer Day Camp weekly fee would go from \$60 per week to \$70 per week. To help offset this fee increase to families with multiple kids registered in the program, the \$70 per week fee would only apply for the first child registered in the family. Each additional family member would still pay the \$60 per week fee. In the 2009/2010 fiscal year, the weekly fee went from \$55 to \$60 per week to help fund pay increases for the Summer Day Camp workers and some of the full-time staff that oversee the program. The last time that the Summer Day Camp staff hourly rates were adjusted was for the 2009/2010 fiscal year. This coincides with the last time that the Summer Day Camp weekly fees were adjusted, so both have not been updated in 5 years.

As proposed, the Wave Pool rental fee for private parties would go from \$350 for a 3-hour rental to \$425 for a 3-hour rental. In the 2000/2001 fiscal year, the Wave Pool rental fee went from \$300 to \$350 to help fund pay increases for the Lifeguards and to pay for increased operational costs. The Lifeguards received a nominal hourly pay increase for this fiscal year and an hourly pay increase for the 2009/2010 fiscal year that coincided with the Federal minimum wage increase.

Staff recommends approval of proposed Parks and Recreation Department Fee Changes for the 2014/2015 fiscal year.