

Community & Aquatics Center Public Comments

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Not answered

6. We welcome your comments in the space below.

I am part of a group of people who play table tennis three times a week at the Spartan Rec Center. We were previously at the Shoreline Senior Center, with its disadvantages of a carpeted floor and low ceilings.

We moved to the Spartan Rec Center and now have hardwood floors, high ceilings and excellent lighting, this enhances the playing experience. We now have all ages join our group and as the number of people increases we have room to increase to four tables with excellent spacing. The exercise and hand eye coordination from table tennis is great for all ages and we have a good social interaction between all of our participants. The dance rooms at the SRC work great for our space concerns and we want to see these areas created in the new Community & Aquatics Center.

Thank you.

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6. We welcome your comments in the space below.

Please take the time to do this project right. The City of Shoreline deserves a quality aquatic center, something along the lines of the Snohomish Aquatic Center. This intelligently designed pool is 25 meters by 25 yards allowing for both long and short seasons.

Dear Eric,

I grew up as a competitive swimmer in an area where pool facilities were never in short supply. Having moved here I have found it increasingly difficult to find adequate pool availability to continue this life long passion. I've passed a love of swimming on to my own two children, but have always felt they've been shortchanged in the amazing opportunities a vibrant pool facility brings to a community.

There is no question that the current Shoreline pool has severe limitations in lane count, diving well space, viewing and event space on the pool deck as well as enough pool space during reasonable hours in the day for children and adults to participate in the wonderful world of aquatic sports. I was excited to hear Shoreline was exploring a new pool facility and hoped that all of the problems with the current pool would be rectified.

What a huge disappointment. The current pool design is extremely shortsighted and under designed. While the architectural design is lovely, the program of the space does nothing to alleviate our current problems. We are simply creating like for like and not resolving any of our current problems with the one addition being a pretty package to house it all in. The limitation of the new design will not allow Shoreline to grow as a community or a regional resource.

We have an opportunity here to create a pool that will enhance our community and provide multiple families and individuals with a facility that answers all of our needs. Pools are wonderful spaces for people to come together to interact and play; to learn the much needed skill of swimming; to develop that skill and create a passion for lap swimming and even competitive swimming (young and old); to direct that interest toward diving and waterpolo.

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An adequately sized pool facility (8 lanes with sufficient depth, diving well, open deck space, etc.) opens doors for people in ways you would never imagine. It allows that older person a safe place and manner in which to get exercise without being jostled by faster swimmers. It allows space to teach a young child or grown adult this life saving skill. If you weren't aware, our high school swim teams are no-cut sports, therefore swim team creates a sense of belonging and self-esteem boost that less athletic high school students need. More pool space would allow the school district to continue with their 'no-cut' policy and benefit countless teens. More pool space would allow our waterpolo teams reasonable practice hours instead of into the late evening hours. These poor kids are exhausted with early classes and late practice times. More space would allow our Masters Program to grow and open up space for other competitive groups to train.

Another boost to a larger, deep 8 lane competitive pool with a diving well and deck space would be the revenue it would bring to the city. It would be a draw for swim meets, water polo matches and diving competitions throughout the region. A more adequate pool facility would bring much desired revenue to the city in the form of club team rentals, shopping for local businesses and dining at local restaurants. Shoreline is already a desirable area to live in with more and more families choosing to raise their kids here. If anything, a larger pool facility would be addressing the growth we will be experiencing especially with the light rail moving north.

Please don't let this valuable opportunity disappear. We need this facility to address all of our current needs as well as allow for future growth.

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Jeri Jacobsen
Shoreline Resident

Dear Eric,

As parents of two Brookside Elementary school children that are also avid swimmers, we are writing to urge you to support building a competitive, fast 8-lane pool. We ask that the pool have a diving well, a robust viewing area for community members to cheer on our local Shoreline School Teams, and adequate depths to allow for starts, turns, and water polo. Swimming is a sport that is accessible, encourages teamwork as well as individual goal-setting, and supports a healthy lifestyle. Please use this opportunity to ensure our Shorecrest and Shorewood students have many future years at a pool that meets the needs of all of those in our community.

Thank you,
Carrie and Paul Sanford
Brookside Elementary School Parents

Dear Shoreline School Board,

As parents of three Brookside Elementary school children who love to swim, we are writing to urge you to support building a competitive, fast 8-lane pool. We ask that the pool have a diving

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well, a robust viewing area for community members to cheer on our local Shoreline School Teams, and adequate depths to allow for starts, turns, and water polo. Swimming is a sport that is accessible, encourages teamwork as well as individual goal-setting, and supports a healthy lifestyle.....not too mention the possibility with college 8) Please use this opportunity to ensure our Shorecrest and Shorewood students have many future years at a pool that meets the needs of **all** of those in our community.

Ben Clough
Broker - Realtor ®
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No

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6. We welcome your comments in the space below.

I want to encourage the City of Shoreline to design a new Community & Aquatics Center that features:

Eight lanes that are not too shallow

A pool that supports large swim & dive teams and efficient, fast swim meets

A pool that supports water polo teams/clubs

A robust viewing area – to support the revenue potential that comes with the ability to host club swim & dive meets

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A pool that allows for multi-use and increased lesson capacity

A dive tank – to support high school swim & dive teams, and allow as many student athletes as possible to participate in non-cut teams

I encourage the City of Shoreline and Shoreline Public Schools to partner in building a state of the art facility that supports the current and future needs of our students and families. Shoreline, Lake Forest Park, and North King County need a facility that can comfortably host regional swim meets, maximize participation of year-round swimmers, support the non-cut swim & dive teams from both high schools, and attract an increasingly diverse population into the swim community.

Thank you for considering these comments.

Dear Shoreline School Board,

We are parents of a current Brookside Elementary fourth grader. With high school upon the horizon we are writing to urge you to support building a competitive, fast 8-lane pool. We ask that the pool have a diving well and viewing area to cheer on the Scots & Thunderbirds. Swimming is a sport that is accessible, encourages teamwork as well as individual goal-setting, and supports a healthy lifestyle. Its also one of only two non-cut sports in our district. We ask that you use this opportunity to ensure our upcoming Shorecrest and Shorewood students have a pool that meets the needs of the swim teams as well as meeting the needs of all within our community.

Thank you
Danielle Lynch & Chris Gurnee
Brookside Elementary Parents

Dear Shoreline School Board,

As parents of two Brookside Elementary school children and one future Brookside student, we are writing to urge you to support building a competitive, fast 8-lane pool. We ask that the pool have a diving well, a robust viewing area for community members to cheer on our local Shoreline School Teams, and adequate depths to allow for starts, turns, and water polo. Swimming is a sport that is accessible, encourages teamwork as well as individual goal-setting, and supports a healthy lifestyle. Please use this opportunity to ensure our Shorecrest and Shorewood students have many future years at a pool that meets the needs of **all** of those in our community.

Thank you,
Laci and Tim Graciano
Brookside Elementary School Parents

Dear Shoreline School Board,

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As parents of two Brookside Elementary school children who are also avid swimmers, we are writing to urge you to support building a competitive, fast 8-lane pool. We ask that the pool have a diving well, a robust viewing area for community members to cheer on our local Shoreline School Teams, and adequate depths to allow for starts, turns, and water polo. Swimming is a sport that is accessible, encourages teamwork as well as individual goal-setting, and supports a healthy lifestyle. Please use this opportunity to ensure our Shorecrest and Shorewood students have many future years at a pool that meets the needs of all of those in our community.

Thank you,
Ginny and Jim Skurski
Brookside Elementary School Parents

Dear Shoreline School Board,

We are parents of two Brookside Elementary school children who are also avid year round swimmers who are already looking forward to swimming on the Shorecrest Swim Team. We are writing to urge you to support building a competitive, fast 8-lane pool. We ask that the pool have a diving well, a robust viewing area for community members to cheer on our local Shoreline School Teams, and adequate depths to allow for starts, turns, and water polo. Swimming is a valuable sport that is accessible, encourages teamwork as well as individual goal-setting, and supports a healthy lifestyle. We were born and raised in this community and swam competitively year round on community teams, city-wide teams and the Shorecrest swim teams. Not having access to a competitive swimming pool would be a huge detriment to the youth in our community. Please use this opportunity to ensure our high school students have many future years at a pool that meets the needs of all of those in our community.

Thank you,
Hillary & Nathan Bendiksen
Brookside Elementary School Parents

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7. Dear Shoreline City Council,

As parents of two Brookside Elementary school children that are also avid swimmers, we are writing to urge you to support building a competitive, fast 8-lane pool. We ask that the pool have a diving well, a robust viewing area for community members to cheer on our local Shoreline School Teams, and adequate depths to allow for starts, turns, and water polo. Swimming is a sport that is accessible, encourages teamwork as well as individual goal-setting, and supports a healthy lifestyle. Please use this opportunity to ensure our Shorecrest and Shorewood students have many future years at a pool that meets the needs of all of those in our community.

Thank you,
Carrie and Paul Sanford
Brookside Elementary School Parents

Dear Shoreline School Board,

As parents of a Brookside elementary school and a Kellogg middle school student who are both avid swimmers, we are writing to urge you to support building a competitive, fast 8-lane pool. We ask that the pool have a diving well, a robust viewing area for community members to cheer on our local Shoreline School and Community Swim Teams, and adequate depths to allow for starts, turns, and water polo. Swimming is a sport that is accessible, encourages teamwork as well as individual goal-setting, and supports a healthy lifestyle. Please use this opportunity to ensure our Shorecrest, Shorewood, Gators & Cascade swim team students have many future years at a pool that meets the needs of all of those in our community.

Kathy & Andrew Griffard
Shoreline School District Parents

My name is Kenneth Kennedy. I currently serve as the Shorecrest Boosters President, as well as the Brookside Elementary PTA Treasurer. My wife Hailey serves on the Brookside PTA Board and works as a substitute in the district. We have four Shoreline School District students (1 at the Early Childhood Center, 1 at Brookside and 2 at Shorecrest), and in our heavily involved capacity with the district, we are writing to urge you to support building a competitive, fast 8-lane pool. We ask that the pool have a diving well, a robust viewing area for community members to cheer on our local Shoreline School Teams, and adequate depths to allow for starts, turns, and water polo. Swimming is a sport that is accessible, encourages teamwork as well as individual goal-setting, and supports a healthy lifestyle.

We realize there would be additional cost for these enhancements but the biggest cost is the project itself. Additional costs would be incremental but the enhancements would fully benefit not only the students but the community going forward.

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Please use this opportunity to build a pool that meets the needs of **all** of those in our community.

Thank you,
Kenneth and Hailey Kennedy
Shoreline School District Parents