

INFORMATIONAL MEMORANDUM

Tukwila Metropolitan Park District

TO: **Tukwila Pool MPD Board**

FROM: Rick Still, Parks and Recreation Director

DATE: January 16, 2013

SUBJECT: **Sustain the Tukwila Pool, Pool Comparison Report**

ISSUE

Sustain the Tukwila Pool's Pool Comparison Report

FINANCIAL IMPACT

N/A

BACKGROUND

Sustain the Tukwila Pool (STP) offered to provide a comparison of neighboring pools. Attachment A indicates a preliminary overview of 10 different pools and their operating models. It is my understanding that a full report will be distributed at the Monday, January 22, 2013 MPD Board Meeting.

DISCUSSION

This data could be utilized as the Board considers options on how to proceed in determining the best operating model for the Tukwila Pool. This issue is tentatively scheduled for the Board Retreat on March 30, 2013.

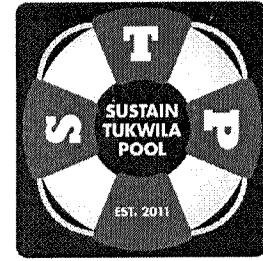
RECOMMENDATIONS

Per the MPD Board's motion at the December 17, 2012 meeting, the recommendation is to provide the STP Report to the TPAC for their recommendation.

ATTACHMENTS

Pool Comparison Report

To: **Tukwila Pool MPD Board President**
 From: **Sustain Tukwila Pool**
 Date: **January 22, 2013**
 Subject: **Pool Comparison Report**



ISSUE

Optimization of operations at the Tukwila Metropolitan Park District Pool.

BACKGROUND

The Sustain Tukwila Pool citizens group, in an effort to maintain a viable pool in the community, researched, assimilated and generated this Pool Comparison Report to present to the TMPD Commissioners, Tukwila Citizens and Tukwila Pool Patrons.

DISCUSSION

This report includes a comparison of nine pools, in addition to Tukwila, focusing on pool operations.

- To be consistent, the most current brochures and fee schedules were used from Fall 2012.
- The report provides 2011 finances; the last full year with complete reporting.
- The report compares six different operating models. (See below)

	Operation Model
Tukwila Pool	3rd Party Vendor (City of Tukwila Staff)
Bainbridge Island Aquatic Center	Metropolitan Park and Recreation District Staff
(Des Moines) Mt. Rainier Pool	Public/Private Partnership with a Private, 3rd Party Operator
Evergreen Pool	Public/Private Partnership with a Non-Profit, 3rd Party Operator
Federal Way Community Center Pool	City of Federal Way Staff
(Issaquah) Julius Boehm Pool	City of Issaquah Staff
Kent Meridian Pool	Public/Private Partnership with a Private, 3rd Party Operator.
(Mercer Island) Mary Wayte Pool	Public/Private Partnership with a Private, 3rd Party Operator
(Renton) Lindbergh Pool	Renton School District
(Seattle) Southwest Pool	City of Seattle Staff

RECOMMENDATION

Sustain Tukwila Pool recommends that the Board of Commissioners move deliberately toward reviewing and adopting an alternative operating model and best operating practices. It is recommended that the model and practices selected are cost effective, efficient, sustainable, and valuable to the community and pool patrons, and ensure a viable community pool in the future.