

# Colony Park Aquatic Facility Project

Community Meeting #2  
April 28, 2021

## Zoom Meeting Chat

00:49:39 Christine Freundl: Hi Everyone, so happy to listen in this evening and learn more about this long deserved community resource.

00:56:35 Brandon Farmahini: You guys are crazy. Water Volleyball is the bomb.

01:02:49 Barbara Scott: Per the City of Austin Aquatics Plan there are several defining features that of a community pool. Why are you only list a few. These are the defining features

01:03:20 Barbara Scott: There are defining criteria for features with each pool classification but not a standard. The defining criteria for features of a Community Pool as defined in the Aquatic Plan are as follows:

6-8 Lap Lanes

Activity Pool

Water Slide

Bathhouse/Family Restrooms

Sprayground

Zero Depth Entry

Diving Board

Shade

Training/Party Rooms

Office

Pool Size 5,000 – 7,000 SF

01:08:59 Raul Perez: Thinking of our elderly neighbors who need a way to keep healthy and fit all year long, would it be possible to consider making a part of the pool heated? Many folks are unable to exercise with high impact work outs and swimming can be a life saver. This proves difficult during the winter months. There are elderly neighbors and others that need a way to exercise during the winter months and having a heated pool would be of great benefit to the community and their continued health. Thank you for your consideration of making part of the Colony Park Pool HEATED and open all year long.

01:11:40 Barbara Scott: That has been one of the Neighborhood Associations request A HEATED pool, since this will be the only City of Austin Pool East of 183 this should not be a problem, but we are asking for all of the community's support

01:14:02 CCS–Liliana Tabasco: Hello Ms. Scott and Mr. Perez, thank you for your comments.

01:16:23 Mitzi Wright: how about the water tree?

01:16:37 Brandon Farmahini: Sorry to distract but I have someone who claims they are working this project named Helen Miller who is harassing me via private message about my comment wishing the water volleyball had done better. I would like to remind everyone this is a city pool paid for by city tax payers. The entire community is invested in this as no one's opinion should matter than anyone elses. We are all suppose to be equal. Please treat your neighbors with more respect.

01:16:39 Barbara Scott: why 6 lap lanes instead of 8

01:17:11 ashton cumberbatch: Please describe your design concepts for children and adults traveling from the park to the pool, including sight lines for parents to watch children traveling back and forth.

01:17:14 Mitzi Wright: 5000 or 7000 sq. ft. is that the total of both pool size

01:18:52 Barbara Scott: Please tell the community how much the budget is

01:19:13 Mitzi Wright: thank you

01:19:26 Barbara Scott: What about the infinity feature

01:20:23 Raul Perez: What budget do we have and how can we prioritize certain features, such as the heated area, based on budget?

01:20:32 Helen Miller: Sorry if Brandon feel I am harassing him because I voiced my opinion.

01:21:03 Raul Perez: Heated and Infinity pool would be a killer. Best pool in Austin! Lets make it happen y'all. Be nice.

01:21:09 Mitzi Wright: thank you

01:21:52 Barbara Scott: Is this being recorded so we can post for community members that were no able to join us

01:24:15 CCS–Laura J. Cortez: Thank you for being here, Teri!

01:24:38 Raul Perez: I'm all for having kid areas as proposed, but lets not make it all focused on this. I hate to see this become another little Stacey in Travis Heights, which is now a concrete slab. Think long term. Everyone gets old at one point or another. Not everyone has kids. Now if we can make a slide that is heated I'm all ears. Sorry, but I'm pushing for heated because I know of many residents in the area that have expressed this as a main concern.

01:24:39 CCS–Liliana Tabasco: Thank you Brandon and Ms. Miller for your comments. We thank you both for being a part of this community meeting and voicing your input.

01:25:43 Brandon Farmahini: Well put @Raul

01:25:52 CCS–Liliana Tabasco: Ms. Scott, yes it is being recorded. A copy of the presentation and meeting video will be available on the Colony Park Aquatic Facility Website: [www.austintexas.gov/department/colony-park-aquatic-facility](http://www.austintexas.gov/department/colony-park-aquatic-facility)

01:26:18 Barbara Scott: Thank You

01:28:12 Maurice Kaunda: Hello...1st time and just joining meeting.....is the lap pool 25/50 yards or meters...If not living in Austin but one of the suburbs will id be needed or will there be a charge for use.

01:28:56 Maurice Kaunda: thank you

01:30:23 Mitzi Wright: I like concept C. I think it takes advantage of the hilltop location and views

01:31:23 Ebonie Trice: Concept C looks to have more parking, which I like

01:33:24 John Fletcher: Children/Families walking to the pool, flashing lights at walkways at the near stop signs and warning signs for cars coming from the top of the hill, to be aware of cars stopping to turn into the facility

01:33:29 CCS–Liliana Tabasco: Thank you for joining us Maurice and for sharing your input.

01:33:55 CCS–Liliana Tabasco: Hello Ms. Wright, thank you for sharing!

01:33:55 Maurice Kaunda: Welcome

01:34:07 Barbara Scott: Which concept allows the larger leisure pool

01:34:15 Brandon Farmahini: Is there a matrix where we see how the 3 different plans compare to each other in terms of sq footage, parking, pool space, amenities etc. Just to have a better idea of how they are different other than the visuals?

01:34:28 CCS–Liliana Tabasco: Hi Ebonie! Thank you for sharing your feedback.

01:34:41 Barbara Scott: Great question Brandon

01:34:49 Mitzi Wright: I've noticed that you haven't mentioned the infinity edge in concept B and C or the rain garden.

01:35:11 CCS–Liliana Tabasco: Hi Mr. Fletcher, thank you for joining us and sharing your input!

01:35:43 Barbara Scott: Which pool allows the best view of downtown Austin

01:36:06 Brandon Farmahini: Also, it's insanely windy at the fields just north of the pool. I'm not sure if the wind is has fierce at the park site. Have their been any measurements? Is there any kind of wind mitigation? I know that sounds silly but it's REALLY windy over there.

01:36:14 Brandon Farmahini: \*at the pool site

01:37:31 Christine Freundl: What is the occupancy of the pool areas? How many people can enjoy the pools at once?

01:37:34 Mitzi Wright: Are some of the features interchangeable?

01:37:45 Mitzi Wright: thank you?

01:37:46 Pamela Williams: I like the water benches

01:39:09 Mitzi Wright: The infinity edge is a good thing.

01:39:28 Barbara Scott: How many standard features are you addressing in these designs

01:39:51 Brandon Farmahini: Oh man. Good question about the DT Views, Barbara

01:40:16 Raul Perez: Not sure how I went from Everyone to Direct message someone. Sorry about that.

01:40:19 Malika Aldridge: Can the lap pool be changeable to have an adult pool and child pool for some other days or is it a permanent feature?

01:40:23 CCS–Liliana Tabasco: Hello Christine F., thank you for joining us!

01:40:26 Raul Perez: Cabanas with a downtown view. Think about it.

01:42:27 Christine Freundl: Okay, thank you! Glad to listen in.

01:42:38 Raul Perez: Can there be a concession stand like they do in some pools in west Austin?

01:42:56 Pamela Williams: Will there be lockers in dressing rooms

01:42:57 Maurice Kaunda: Hours of operation?...opening and closing dates?

01:43:09 Mitzi Wright: Thanks

01:43:29 John Fletcher: Thanks..

01:43:31 CCS–Liliana Tabasco: Please use the PollsEverywhere link to provide your input: <https://pollev.com/colonyparkpr331>

01:43:40 CCS–Victor Terrazas: Utilice el enlace PollsEverywhere para proporcionar su opinión: <https://pollev.com/colonyparkpr331>

01:45:35 Mitzi Wright: Im not seeing the options on the poll page

01:45:36 Brandon Farmahini: Says, “Waiting for presentation to begin...”

01:46:37 Mitzi Wright: I prefer option C

01:46:43 Pamela Williams: B

01:46:50 Malika Aldridge: C

01:46:54 Mitzi Wright: got it now, thank you

01:47:58 Elizabeth Gillespie: C

01:48:13 CCS–Liliana Tabasco: Hello, thank you everyone for your patience. Please continue to use the PollsEverywhere link to provide your input: <https://pollev.com/colonyparkpr331>

01:48:56 Malika Aldridge: polls are still loading

01:48:57 Mitzi Wright: I can see it fine now, thanks

01:49:09 CCS–Liliana Tabasco: Thank you Ms. Wright!

01:49:12 John Fletcher: Are there plans in place to manicure the surrounding trees and shrubs and not to remove all the greenery?

01:49:37 COA Justin Schneider, PARD: We will make sure to review all of the comments here, too, to make sure you are included if PollEve doesn't work for you. Thank you all for sharing.

01:49:58 Mitzi Wright: Is A at a higher elevation?

01:51:24 Elizabeth Gillespie: C North

01:51:38 ashton cumberbatch: Do the attached parking and other orientations going along with the site location?

01:52:46 CCS–Liliana Tabasco: Thank you Elizabeth for sharing you input!

01:53:02 Brandon Farmahini: What I like about A is it seems the complex will be closer to Loyola and not encumbered by parking lots and cars. Just bonus points for anything we can do to make the site look awesome from Loyola as a way to make the entire community look good and not hiding everything behind more parking lots.

01:53:29 Brandon Farmahini: Also, no need to read out my note as long as you see it

01:54:03 Elizabeth Gillespie: Round about OR Cul de sac. Either/or is great.

01:54:07 CCS–Liliana Tabasco: Thank you Brandon! We see it. We appreciate sharing your feedback.

01:54:47 Elizabeth Gillespie: Shade Structure: Concept B Linear

01:55:57 Elizabeth Gillespie: C-Shape

01:56:03 Brandon Farmahini: It seems like the shade structures on Concept C are all on the east but most of the needs for shade will be in the afternoon when the sun sets in the west. I could not be imagining the angle right but it seems like C would be less helpful for blocking the most amount of people from direct sunlight

01:56:41 CCS–Liliana Tabasco: Ms. Elizabeth Gillespie, we appreciate your input.

01:56:43 Raul Perez: Anything with a tie we all play Rock, Paper, Scissors :)

01:57:05 Elizabeth Gillespie: Concept C

01:57:36 CCS–Liliana Tabasco: Mr. Perez, too funny!

02:01:33 Brandon Farmahini: Adult Swim Tuesdays from 7-10pm. Bring the margaritas

02:02:18 Mitzi Wright: thanks for answering that question

02:02:22 Raul Perez: If a heated part of the pool is not an option, which I hope it is, can there be a hot tub?

02:02:52 Brandon Farmahini: You mean we can bring Food Trucks in the parking lot when you say concessions?

02:04:48 Raul Perez: No, Brandon. More like they do at Deep Eddy Pool. They sell hotdogs, chips, and colas for like a \$1 or \$2.

02:05:15 Brandon Farmahini: Thanks Raul

02:05:23 Maurice Kaunda: Target date for completion and opening

02:05:26 Mitzi Wright: elevation per options

02:06:42 Mitzi Wright: thanks I was curious about the various views

02:08:53 Raul Perez: Thank you, Ms. Scott.

02:09:21 Brandon Farmahini: Agree with Barbara about the water heater.

02:10:14 Mitzi Wright: Not to be confused with keeping the water cool at 100+degree months.... :)

02:10:20 Raul Perez: I'll be happy to provide the firewood. Just saying. Thank you all for the hard work and input. This pool is a great add to this neighborhood. Been here since 2005 and I can't wait to see this project completed.

02:10:43 Brandon Farmahini: Question about permitting: Isn't the city required to respond to the permit application within 30 days with notes? Do you mean it will take a year to go back and forth and address all of the city notes?

02:10:45 Elizabeth Gillespie: Thanks everyone! This is exciting....

02:10:57 Mitzi Wright: Thank you all...

02:11:13 CCS–Liliana Tabasco: Don't forget a copy of the presentation and meeting video will be available on the Colony Park Aquatic Facility Website: [www.austintexas.gov/department/colony-park-aquatic-facility](http://www.austintexas.gov/department/colony-park-aquatic-facility)

02:11:15 Pamela Williams: Thank you

02:11:23 COA Marjorie Flanagan AIPP: Thank you from Art in Public Places

02:11:29 Maurice Kaunda: Thank You and everyone stay safe

02:11:33 CCS-Victor Terrazas: Una copia de la presentación y el video de la reunión estarán disponibles en el sitio web de la instalación acuática de Colony Park: [www.austintexas.gov/department/colony-park-aquatic-facility](http://www.austintexas.gov/department/colony-park-aquatic-facility)