



**South Okanagan Aquatic Center Advisory Committee  
December 15, 2021 10:00 am  
Special Zoom Meeting**

**Attendance:** Councilor Myers Bennett, Gerald Davis, Barry Romanko, Cal Meiklejohn, Sarah Dynneson, Mike Campol, Ed Chow, Mayor Sue McKortoff, Councilor Petra Veintimilla, Councilor Jim King, Jon Hack, Asya Bidordinova, Carol Sheridan  
**Guests:** Lionel Doherty, Times Chronicle  
**Regrets:** Mayor Martin Johansen, Councilor David Mattes, Sammie Louie, Chantal Steele

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***We would like to respectfully acknowledge the Syilx Okanagan Nation and their people, in whose territory we stand and are gathered upon today.***

1. Call to order
  - a. 10:02am
2. Additions/Changes
  - a. none
3. Review meeting minutes – November 10, 2021.
  - a. Moved and seconded that the agenda and minutes be adopted - Carried.
4. Matters arising from minutes
  - a. None
5. New business
  - a. Sierra Planning
    - i. Survey results
      1. Survey participation stats reflective of population distribution based on census.
      2. Key results broken out by age and comparison of age breakdown of respondents to 2016 census. Reflective of age cohorts seen in communities. 41% respondents 20-59 years, 29% 60+ years, 30% 0-19 years.
      3. Use of aquatic facilities and amenities
        - a. 73% people used aquatic facilities pre-covid.
        - b. Compared aquatic use and dryland use between couple/single adult without children and couples/single with children – similar use.
        - c. Frequency of potential use – both cohorts similar.
        - d. Survey telling us that multiple use of the facility is a primary function and reflecting how the facility will need to work.
    - ii. Methods of governance
      1. Cost Shared Models
      2. Governance Options:
        - a. Municipal partnerships – operating through partnership between municipalities via Inter-Municipal Service Agreements. First Nation partnership may lead to different type of partnership.
        - b. Municipal-Non-Profit partnerships – (i.e.: YMCA).

- i. Third-party management on behalf of public owners. Could be for-profit or non-profit
      - ii. RDOS – how can they be involved?
      - iii. Reviewed examples – Operation by one municipality vs Co-management through a board.
      - iv. Proposed to have a meeting with RDOS early in the new year.
3. Cost sharing needs to be addressed but can wait until governance model is determined. Should be a rest on the expected level of service.
4. Reviewed some YMCA model examples.

iii. Concept Program Revisions

1. Reviewed adjusted square footage areas based on survey respondents.
2. Areas based on all service requests.
3. Diagram completed according to best practices to give an idea as to how they will operate or fit in.
4. Phase one – pool area
5. Phase two – additional spaces (eg childminding, fitness rooms, multipurpose space).
6. Phase three – just for illustration. Gymnasium, arena, etc.
7. Discussion on site location

iv. Capital Cost Issues

1. Capital costs today not trustworthy enough to stand up in the future.
2. Based on concept design using pre-pandemic numbers - cost Phase one - ~\$27,000,000. With Phase two ~\$31,000,000.
3. Cost now Phase one ~\$38,000,000 Phase two ~\$44,000,000.

v. Project Timing

1. Need time now to put all this information into a report.
2. Most likely report ready at the end of January at the earliest.
3. Project councils will be able to review early spring. Potentially present to respective Councils in March.

6. Round Table

7. Next meeting – TBD

8. Adjournment

- a. It was moved and seconded to adjourn the meeting at 12:02pm - Carried.

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Certified as Correct

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Chair

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Corporate Officer