



# City Council Memorandum

*City of Arts & Innovation*

TO: HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL DATE: JULY 12, 2016

FROM: PARKS, RECREATION AND COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT WARDS: ALL

SUBJECT: APPROVAL OF FACILITY USE AGREEMENT WITH YOUNG MEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION OF ORANGE COUNTY TO USE CITY SWIMMING POOLS FOR FREE WATER SAFETY PRESENTATIONS, DROWNING PREVENTION LESSONS, AND AQUATICS TRAINING TO CITY OF RIVERSIDE RESIDENTS

## **ISSUE:**

City Council consideration to approve the Facility Use Agreement with the Young Men's Christian Association (YMCA) of Orange County to utilize City pools to offer free water safety presentations, drowning prevention lessons, and aquatics training through June 4, 2017.

## **RECOMMENDATIONS:**

That the City Council:

1. Approve the agreement with the YMCA, for the period of June 18, 2016 through June 4, 2017, to utilize City pools to offer free water safety presentations, drowning prevention lessons, and aquatics training; and
2. Authorize the City Manager, or his designee, to execute all necessary documents and approve future addendums to the agreement.

## **BACKGROUND:**

The Parks, Recreation and Community Services Department (PRCSD) offers swim lessons and recreation swim at seven City operated swimming pools from June through September. Due to enhanced public awareness of childhood obesity and drownings, the demand for additional aquatic programs has increased. To meet the demand without impacting the City's general fund, staff have collaborated with Kaiser Permanente and the American Red Cross to assist the PRCSD with providing additional aquatic based programs and resources. These valued partners make aquatics accessible to low-income children, teens, adults, and seniors.

In February 2016, staff also began working with the YMCA, to further expand the PRCSD aquatic programming by offering 300 children under the age of 5, and their parents, from low-income and underserved communities, free swim and safety instruction in and around the water for drowning prevention at City pools. The program, funded by a grant from First 5 Riverside and the Riverside

County Children and Family Commission, is designed to teach parents and their children water safety skills, reducing the risk of drowning. The adult and parent education includes CPR, water safety, and drowning prevention. The classes will be taught by certified YMCA lifeguards and held at City swimming pools on Saturday and Sundays, June through September. In addition to the lessons and instruction, the YMCA will also provide free aquatic based training to City staff.

During the term of the agreement, the YMCA shall pay \$18 per hour for pre-scheduled use of designated swimming pools. This will fully cover City's direct staff costs to monitor and make the pool available. The YMCA access will not conflict with other City and City-sponsored programs and activities.

### **FISCAL IMPACT**

Anticipated General Fund revenue from this agreement is estimated in the amount of \$3,000.

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Availability of funds:	Scott Miller, Interim Finance Director/Treasurer
Approved by:	Alexander T. Nguyen, Assistant City Manager
Approved as to form:	Gary G. Geuss, City Attorney

Attachment:	Facility Use Agreement - Young Men's Christian Association of Orange County
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