From: Cynthia Gustafson
Sent: Tuesday, August 18, 2020 6:53:50 PM
To: Public Comment <<u>publiccomment@cityoftracy.org</u>>
Subject: On-demand comment for tonight's meeting

Hello,,

I would like to ask when considering On Demand Service for our community that you keep the price to \$2.00 per ride so our low income seniors and disabled can afford to use the service. Our feedback from this population is that the VanGo service is too high so a more affordable option would be appreciated.

Thank you,

Cindy Gustafson, CSA Certified Senior Advisor Tracy Seniors Association

From: Brandon Kanner
Sent: Tuesday, August 18, 2020 12:26 PM
To: Public Comment <<u>publiccomment@cityoftracy.org</u>>
Subject: Regular Meeting Comment - Agenda Item 3.C

Measure V was a crucial piece of legislation for this community as it was designed toward ensuring the future of this community. Its successful passage was in large part due to the many dedicated swim families, which for decades have worked on a variety of Committee's to see the prospect of a swim center brought to fruition. This Counsel and many listening this evening, have worked too hard to see this Counsel reverse the decision they made in the Fall when they approved the 65 million budget for the swim center.

Standing behind the decision that was made last Fall is the right thing to do. That decision allows for the construction of an amenity that will serve every portion of our community, which is something desperately needed in our community.

I grew up in Tracy and my wife and I chose to raise our children in Tracy, but I am tired of the commuter city mentality and the constant need to look elsewhere in the region for entertainment and community activities. Build this swim center the way it was envisioned and voted on in the Fall and give this community something to be proud of.

Brandon Kanner

From: Heidi Yee

Sent: Sunday, August 16, 2020 2:23:13 PM

To: Public Comment < publiccomment@cityoftracy.org >

Subject: City Council Meeting Agenda Item 3C: Resolution Approving Aquatic Center Final Conceptual Plan

Heidi Yee



Mr.Mayor and Council Members

I would like to urge the City Council to adopt a resolution approving the aquatic center final conceptual plan. As a Tracy resident, my family, along with many others in Tracy have been looking forward to having an aquatic center built. Over the years, a plan to bring an aquatic center to Tracy has been close to reality only to hit a snag before the final approval. Meanwhile, Tracy families have been waiting. As an ever growing community, we need to make sure our city

provides recreational opportunities that can serve as many residents as possible. Imagine having indoor water aerobics classes available for all ages and swimming lessons for kids! A competition pool would allow Tracy to host meets and bring visitors and their spending money to our growing town. As the parent of a young child, having an aquatic center would be great for family enjoyment and time together in an atmosphere of water and fun. As I write this on the hottest week to date this year, I am reminded that we need to start sooner rather than later on this great project and I sincerely hope you are in agreement. Sincerely,

Heidi Yee

From: Lorraine Penzar Sent: Tuesday, August 18, 2020 3:29 PM To: Public Comment <<u>publiccomment@cityoftracy.org</u>> Subject: Comment regular meeting August 18

Good evening council and staff,

I remember reading that the city of Tracy had unanimously approved a budget of \$65 million dollars to at last build the aquatic center that has been a topic of discussion since the time long ago my family moved to Tracy. Our family urges you to follow through on the project as approved by the council several months ago. The swim center will help improve the quality of life of those who live and work in Tracy and will draw the attention of employers looking to locate in a quality community. We count on your leadership and vision to see the City prosper over the coming years.

Lolo Penzar

-----Original Message-----From: Mom Sent: Saturday, August 15, 2020 4:27 PM To: Tracy City Council <<u>tracycitycouncil@cityoftracy.org</u>> Subject: Swim center

We are in a financial crisis due to Corina and it will only get worse the next few years DO NOT SPEND a dime that is not absolutely necessary.

Stop the nonsense now.

From: Todd Lieberg Sent: Saturday, August 15, 2020 11:50:49 AM To: Public Comment <<u>publiccomment@cityoftracy.org</u>> Cc: Todd Lieberg Subject: Public Comment in re: to the Tuesday, August 18, 2020, REGULAR MEETING of the City Council, re: Item # 3C, AQUATIC CENTER.

I am a strong supporter of an Aquatic Center.

We are a swim family: both my kids swam for the Tracy Tritons for 10 years; they both swam and played Water Polo in High School; I was on the Board of the Tritons for 3 years and served as the President of the Tritons for one year; and I have been the Tracy High School's Girls Water Polo coach for several years.

The Council needs to invest in the City of Tracy; the citizens of Tracy; and the children of Tracy. Don't look at the expenditure of funds for an Aquatics Center as a cost; look at it as a long-term investment that will benefit generations of children.

That being said, recognizing the current financial situation the City is in, and the unknown longterm outlook for the COVID pandemic, I don't believe the City should commit to spending \$65 for an Aquatic Center at the expense of every other amenity for YEARS.

To date, Surland has paid approximately \$2 million of the \$10 million under the deal. The Council should request an immediate payment of the remaining \$8 million.

The \$8 million, plus existing Measure V funds, total over \$20 million. While this will not build the entire Aquatic Center as envisioned now, it will be a great start that can be the foundation for future growth, similar to the Legacy Fields approach.

There are enough funds now to start an Aquatic Center, and as additional funds become available, additional amenities can be added on at a later date.

I recommend the Council expedite the opening of the Aquatic Center, and begin construction *immediately* of what we have funds for now. The citizens of Tracy have waited long enough... waiting until 2024, 2025, or 2026 is unacceptable.