1. Lindsey Amtmann
2. Shoreline
3. (o) Meridian Park
4. 
5. 11/28/2018
6. New aquatic center
7. Please design an 8-lane pool with a diving well and an observation area.

   The population is rising, and we already need more than a new 8-lane pool. With obesity rates and the elder population rising, providing a location for lifelong physical activity is critical to prevent incurring other costs related to inactivity and disability.

   A larger pool would make swim meets shorter and therefore open up the pool to other users compared to the time it takes for a swim meet at a 6-lane pool.

   The City and the school district must work together to develop a pool that serves all stakeholders.
8. (o) Support
5. If you answered, "yes" to the question above, what organization do you represent?
   Not answered

6. We welcome your comments in the space below.
   Please include child care so that mothers get to exercise during the day.

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6. We welcome your comments in the space below.
   1. Covered, lighted (or indoor) play area for all kids (not just preschool ages). There are no safe, dry, lighted places for active kids to play during our dark and wet fall/winters.

   2. Two hour free childcare center/play/art center, so that single or stay-at-home parents can swim/exercise too. (Like the Y or IKEA or other commercial fitness centers).

   3. Healthy (and only health) food/snacks area - vending machines, kiosks, stands etc. Maybe even a juicing/smoothie bar.
Dear Eric Friedli—

I’m writing because I’m hoping that the City of Shoreline and Shoreline School Districts can work together when designing the new pool.

My son is a swimmer and water polo player and I love that swimming is one of the few non-cut sports at Shorecrest high school. This is important, to bring diversity and equality into our high school sports. North King County needs a facility that can comfortably host regional swim meets, maximize participation of year-round swimmers, support the non-cut swim & dive teams from both high schools, and attract an increasingly diverse population into the swim community.

The Shoreline School District and City of Shoreline should work together to fund and build an Aquatic Center that features:

- Eight lanes that are not too shallow
- A pool that supports large swim & dive teams and efficient, fast swim meets
- A robust viewing area – to support the revenue potential that comes with the ability to host club swim & dive meets
- A pool that allows for multi-use and increased lesson capacity
- A pool that supports water polo teams/clubs
- A dive tank – to support high school swim & dive teams, and allow as many student athletes as possible to participate in non-cut teams

Thanks,
Deb Blaha
Eric,

As parents of two Shoreline swimmers, we urge you to work with the Shoreline school district on the design of the new pool. The current proposed design does not support year round swimming in Shoreline or for Shoreline School district athletes. Specifically we would ask you to consider:

- **An eight-lane pool** – to support large teams and efficient swim meets, plus increase potential for multi-use and increase lesson capacity
- **A dive tank** – to support high school swim & dive teams, and allow as many student athletes as possible to participate in non-cut teams
- **A robust viewing area** – to support the revenue potential that comes with the ability to host club swim meets

Shoreline has a very large group of swimmers that swim year round. It would be very unfortunate if a new pool means that fewer kids in Shoreline get to participate in a sport that unites kids of all ages.

Thank you,
Michelle & Jeff Brown

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1. Michelle Brown
2. Shoreline
3. (o) Richmond Beach
4. 
5. 11/28/2018
6. Pool design open house
7. Requesting the city and Shoreline School district work together to ensure Shoreline swimmers have access to an appropriate pool

An eight-lane pool – to support large teams and efficient swim meets, plus increase potential for multi-use and increase lesson capacity
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A robust viewing area – to support the revenue potential that comes with the ability to host club swim meets

8. Not answered

Your link to the online feedback form took me to a login page not to a feedback form, so I am emailing you.

I would like to express my sadness to hear that a new pool is being designed for Shoreline without any consideration for the current pool's uses. Why are we always neglecting to talk to our community partners the Shoreline School District when we are making plans for this city? Why do we consistently forget our roots, though only 25 years old: this city was started for BETTER SCHOOLS, yet the city and the school district do not talk. How is this possible?

As a Shoreline resident and voter, I am officially telling you that if this pool is designed and built in a way that does NOT accommodate our high school swim teams, then I will be voting to remove the representatives that allowed this to move forward in this way. I try to stay alert of activities in this city but I do not remember hearing anything or getting any opportunity to give an opinion on these plans. Do NOT invest in an aquatic center that does not serve this community fully.

Thank you for considering this feedback. I feel certain that if these plans move forward we will be gathering a coalition.

Sincerely,

Carrie Campbell
Shoreline Resident and Voter

I am a long time citizen of Shoreline. I just happen to be out of town and will not be able to attend the open house. This is the first detailed information I have received about the aquatic center and I am extremely concerned. This will be be replacing the shoreline pool and it will not accommodate diving and swimming competitions. Shoreline schools have produced outstanding swimmers one of a Olympic competitor. The school district will have extremely limiting swimming and diving capabilities which will lead to the illumination of the sport. My daughter was a diver in high school at Shorecrest High. this was the first real competitive sport she participated in and helped her to become the wonderful young woman she is today. The skills she learned in this sport has taught her how to coach people as a professional recruiter. Please please reconsider your design.

Thank you

Debbie Cheek
Mr. Friedli,

I am writing to express my views as the parent of a swimmer. My child swims for the Dale Turner YMCA and Shorewood High School. I understand the City of Shoreline is gathering feedback on a new Aquatic Center and Pool. It is my understanding that the City is putting forth a plan to build a facility that is smaller than the current Shoreline pool. Given the long successful history of swimming and diving in Shoreline through both high schools and in the private clubs, this is a mistake. Shoreline prides itself on being forward thinking and visionary. Building a new facility that is small and less than what we have is not in keeping with the view Shoreline has for itself.

The community needs:

1. **An eight-lane pool** – to support large teams and efficient swim meets, plus increase potential for multi-use and increase lesson capacity
2. **A dive tank** – to support high school swim & dive teams, and allow as many student athletes as possible to participate in non-cut teams
3. **A robust viewing area** – to support the revenue potential that comes with the ability to host club swim meets

It is my belief that the building a smaller pool would be detrimental to swimming and diving as sports in Shoreline. A prime example of this is swimming and diving at both high schools. Both Shorecrest and Shorewood have highly successful and inclusive swim and dive teams. Swim and Dive is a non-cut sport at both high schools. A smaller pool means that the both schools would have to cut athletes. Right now both teams include swimmers from all skill levels. If they have to cut athletes, the teams will not be able to be inclusive. This year 60 girls an 37 boys are on Shorewood's swim and dive teams. The skill level of
the athletes ranges from beginning swimmers and divers to athletes swimming at the elite level. If swim and dive is a cut sport the athletes will beginning skills will not be on the team.

I urge you to consider this feedback as the City moves forward.
Sincerely,
Nancy Elder

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1. Nancy M Elder
2. Shoreline
3. (o) Richmond Beach
4. 11/28/2018
5. Aquatic Center
6. I am writing because I support the decision for the City of Shoreline to build a new aquatic center. However, I DO NOT support building a aquatic facility that is smaller than the one that currently exists. The City of Shoreline should build an pool that has at least 8 lanes and a diving tank. The facility should also have seating so that spectators can comfortably watch swim events. Ideally, the new Shoreline Aquatic Center should be similar to the one in Snohomish. A smaller pool with fewer lanes will have an negative impact on the swim community.

A prime example, is that both high schools who have a long tradition of inclusiveness and success at high levels, would need to go from non-cut to cut sports. This would likely mean that students with little swim experience would be cut. This year Shorewood High School had at least 60 girls and have 37 boys on their respective Swim and Dive teams. This will not be possible in a 4 lane pool. In addition, both high school have student who have never participated in diving achieve high level of success, including the potential for NCAA Division I Scholarships.

If the City of Shoreline truly desires to be be an inclusive community that is future focused they should committee to building facilities that reflect that. Building facilities that are not equivalent in size to what we currently have does not demonstrate that vision.

8. (o) Support

Dear Mr. Friedli

Shoreline has had a long history of competitive swimming throughout our history. From the original Spartan High School, to our current Shorewood and Shorecrest High School, along with our local swim clubs, Shoreline has been helping kids reach their dreams of participating as a competitive swimmer. We cannot let those dreams die and Shoreline fall away from supporting swim and dive programs just because of a shortfall in our community pool design. The new pool must be built to be able to hose
swim teams for a competitive swim competition. This would include a pool that can host at least 8 lanes of regulation 25 yard swim course with ends that are deep enough to use modern starting blocks and allow swimmers to flip turn. The pool should also be able to have a seating area for friends and family to view and cheer our swimmers on. It should also be able to support a competitive dive program with a deep water area and a 1m diving board.

As a long time swimmer and father or two competitive swimmers, I ask you to considers having the new pool to include the requirements for a competitive swim and dive program.

Thank you for your support

Andrew Finseth
Community & Aquatics Center Public Comments

(comments compiled through 12/4/2018)

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6. We welcome your comments in the space below.
   Shoreline has really outgrown it's pool. There are always wait lists for swim lessons and there is
   very limited rec swim time. I've heard rumors that the new design would force the high schools
   to make swimming a cut sport. I really hope that isn't true. Non-cut sports are so important for
   young people to stay healthy and be part of a group. When my daughter went out for volleyball
   on 7th grade, 64 girls tried out and 15 made the team. There was no way all of them could
   participate. Keeping swimming open to all in our schools and community is so important!

To Whom It May Concern,

I am concerned about the lack of foresight surrounding the new aquatic center proposal. I strongly urge
the City and Parks Department to consider our students and families and work together with the Shoreline
School District to design an 8-lane pool, with a dive tank, viewing area, and deep end on both sides of the
pool to accommodate swimming, diving, and water polo.

Our region has terrible aquatic availability and facilities, so this is a golden opportunity to better serve our
local high school students, their families, and outside revenue that could be generated by other group
renting the pool.

Thank you!
Julie Fredrickson
Shorewood parent, Shoreline Teacher, SW/SC water polo club parent advisor, and Innis Arden Swim Team family
Hello Parks Director,

City pools represent a public investment that get used by multiple groups. I understand that the Shoreline pool is in need of replacement and that planning for a new facility is happening now. As a long-time user of this and other pools in the region, I would like to encourage Shoreline to invest in a facility that will support competitive swimming (high schools, clubs, and a recreational league team), good access to swim lessons, and recreational opportunities. That would require an aquatic center that features: 8 lanes that allow for dive entries and flip turns, a viewing area and support for large fast swim meets, multi-use and increased lesson capacity spaces, and a dive tank. Please work with the city of Shoreline and the school district to plan for an expansive facility that will be a regional resource to host competitive swimming as well as providing for community access for learning to swim and aquatic play. We need to plan for the current and future needs of our students and families. I think it is important to be a regional resource, maximize participation of year-round swimmers, support the non-cut swim and dive teams from Shoreline high schools (I benefited greatly from a similar option in my hometown), and attract an increasingly diverse population into the swim community. While we currently mostly use other facilities due to limited access at the Shoreline pool, I guarantee my family would be heavy users in many aspects that a state of the art pool facility would provide.

Thank you,

-Kinsey Frick
Dear Shoreline City council members:

Please support our high school swim teams in redesign efforts of the Shoreline Aquatics Center!!!

It has come to my attention that the City of Shoreline is in the process of designing a new Community & Aquatics Center and initial designs of the center have been shared with the public. I would like to share with you the importance of building an Aquatic Center that features:

• Eight lanes that are not too shallow
• A pool that supports large swim & dive teams and efficient, fast swim meets
• A robust viewing area – to support the revenue potential that comes with the ability to host club swim & dive meets
• A pool that allows for multi-use and increased lesson capacity
• A pool that supports water polo teams/clubs
• A dive tank – to support high school swim & dive teams, and allow as many student athletes as possible to participate in non-cut teams

I also believe that the City of Shoreline and Shoreline Public Schools should work in partnership to build a state of the art facility that supports the current and future needs of our students and families. Shoreline, Lake Forest Park, and North King County need a facility that can comfortably host regional swim meets, maximize participation of year-round swimmers, support the non-cut swim & dive teams from both high schools, and attract an increasingly diverse population into the swim community.

Additional Information

Why is the dive tank important?

High school swimming is one of the few non-cut sports that any student can join, including beginning swimmers, which allows students from all backgrounds to participate in a sport during their high school career. Diving is an integral part of Washington State high school swimming, with dive scores adding to total team points. Both Shorewood and Shorecrest have dive team members that contribute to the success of the high school swim teams. Without a dive tank, i.e., if a pool is not deep enough for diving, the school swim and dive teams are incomplete. Think, for example, of a football team without special teams. Also, even if an appropriate 12’ depth is included in a six-lane design, that means only four lanes are available for practice, turning the team into a cut sport. This would be tragic.

Why are eight lanes so important?

Our swim community continues to grow. A six-lane pool provides limited space for swim meets, and does not allow for program growth in the way our community can support, especially with the arrival of light rail. Currently, for example, when Cascade Swim Club hosts swim meets at the six-lane Madison Pool, the meets run all day long, i.e., from early in the morning to late in the evening. The capacity to run a faster, more efficient swim meet provides an incentive for such meets to be hosted at the new Shoreline Aquatic Center. Indeed, a six-lane pool actually reduces the overall capacity of the pool, given that the new facility will not have a bulkhead like the current Shoreline pool. (Make no mistake, no-one wants a bulkhead – this is not the solution!)

Why is a robust viewing area so important?
We need to be able to attract regional level swim meets to the new facility, thus raising revenue potential. Thus, we must have viewing capacity. High school swim meets also need viewing capacity, as they host parents and families from multiple participating teams. Currently there is no facility in the area that provides adequate viewing capacity. The viewing area at Madison Pool fills by 6:00-7:00am on swim meet days, and the deck is completely and dangerously filled with swimmers and families. Again, the capacity to run a more viewer-friendly, efficient swim meet provides an incentive for such meets to be hosted at the Shoreline Aquatic Center.

Thank you
Kerri Hallgrimson

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6. We welcome your comments in the space below.
   - I was at the Wednesday night meeting & astonished to see the shortsighted design. Again, I will reiterate the need for a competitive swim pool with dive well, 8 lanes, proper depth & spectator seating. It just is common sense that this will bring in revenue for the City to help pay for the facilities & eventually for parks rejuvenation. Why all the green spaces around the building when you are planning on all the "activites" put in the green space across Midvale? That is redundant & waste of building space & $. Build the pool correctly the 1st time. You can't go back and fix it once it's in. Dale Turner pool was built with the illusion that it would not get very much use so they made 4 narrow lanes. I swim there everyday & get hit in the head quite often because the lanes are so narrow & pool is so crowded. Don't be under the illusion that the new facility is not going to get that much action. Everyone is very excited for a PROPER pool. Have a Competitive
Pool Builder design it instead of an architect that doesn't swim! Also, you need more parking regardless of the cost. D. Turner has 200 spots in garage that are always full. They have 14,000+ members counting family memberships. Regardless, it is 5,000+ memberships with 200 parking spaces! Members have given up & gone home when they can't park so please build a parking garage & double your allotted spaces. You say there will be parking at City Hall. In my experience people do not want to walk far to get into a facility. Put in a kitchen that can be used for Sr. meal program & also be used for the public. You'll have thousands of people going through that will be hungry & this is a good source of revenue. Swim teams, sporting events, everyday exercisers will get hungry & buy food, especially if you have kids bussed in for events. This is another source of revenue which will help pay for the building. Make it a double sided kitchen so Seniors can be in a room for lunch & those walking around can grab something & sit at bistro tables in the common area. You can have the kitchen humming all day long making money. Just choose a smart menu & remember the Vegetarians. Please, don't scrimp on doing the right thing because you spend the money on the landscape & outdoor seating platforms. The greenbelt is right there. From what I've noticed about the City & it's grand plans they put things in only to rip them out & do over because they didn't think it through; i.e. Aurora southbound lane had to be redone to allow left turns into YMCA. The island in the middle of N. 192nd St. had to be shortened TWICE because someone in their infinite wisdom decided no one coming out of the apt. parking lot needed to turn left. Really? People either had to drive to N 185th St. or to the main street south of Costco to get back to the east of Echo Lake. The traffic planners seemed to think all that traffic would be fine directed on to Aurora since it was widened. You were making people congest & drive all that ways to get a few blocks to the east of the Y. I started a petition & got the island shortened even though over 800 people wanted it removed. Emergency personnel had to drive OVER the island to get people to the hospital. Trucks coming out of Sky nursery had to back up over & over to manuever a turn out of their truck lot. Plus, the City put in plants in the island blocking the view east of oncoming cars. Total, complete incompetence on the part of planners! I could go on & on. Basically, make the facility right so you aren't dumping $ down the drain for re-dos.

Hello Eric,

I am a Senior Citizen who was present at your public meeting last Wednesday (November 28th) about the new Community and Aquatics Center, after hearing about it only 2 days prior to this meeting. You indicated that the citizens of Shoreline were given the opportunity to give input on this project. However, the many seniors that I know who live in this area, had never heard of this plan. You mentioned the questionable future of the Spartan Gym because of the Light Rail and renting from the School District--this also applies to our Shoreline Senior Center.

The majority of the population in Shoreline is made up of people 60 years and older. How could a Civic/Community Center NOT designate a space for Senior Citizens who make up most of the city’s population? As a Senior Citizen, I cannot begin to tell you how the Shoreline Senior Center has helped me and inspired me through its many programs. As an example, I have been part of a Hula class in which our oldest dancer is 98 years old. She comes weekly to our classes and tells us that the class and the friendships formed here are the highlight of her life.

It has been said that the manner in which a community regards and treats its elders is reflective of the heart and soul of that community.
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Eric, please forward this email to the mayor, city council members, recreation and parks advisory board, and anyone else that needs this feedback. I would appreciate hearing from all of you.

Sincerely,

Gloria Kawabori

From: Alice Keller
Sent: Monday, November 26, 2018 9:09 AM
To: ShorelineParks <shorelineparks@shorelinewa.gov>
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Community and Aquatics Center

I’ve just read about the proposed center in the Shoreline Area News, and I’m surprised and disturbed that there will be no space for the Senior Center.

As a 74-year-old who’s been taking yoga classes at the Senior Center and who sees what a lively place that is, addressing a wide range of senior needs and desires, I wonder what is supposed to happen to it if the school district decides to use the current property.

The Senior Center is an essential community asset. Is there a long-term plan?

Thank you for any information.

Alice Keller
Shoreline

Dear Superintendent Miner, Shoreline School Board members, and City of Shoreline’s Park and Recreation Manager Eric Friedli,

Having attended the November 28 Open House for discussing the design of Shoreline’s proposed Community and Aquatics Center, our family would like to encourage the school district and city to work in partnership with the community to design the proposed Aquatics Center.

For decades, our public school students have benefited greatly from participating in non-cut swim and dive teams at Shorewood and Shorecrest. For this continue, a new public pool will need to support competitive swimming.

We believe that our future Aquatic Center should feature:

- Eight lanes that are not too shallow
- A pool that supports large swim & dive teams and efficient, fast swim meets
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- A robust viewing area – to support the revenue potential that comes with the ability to host club swim & dive meets
- A pool that allows for multi-use and increased lesson capacity
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Shoreline, Lake Forest Park, and North King County need a facility that can comfortably host regional swim meets, maximize participation of year-round swimmers, support the non-cut swim & dive teams from both high schools, and attract an increasingly diverse population into the swim community.

We hope that our school board will consider this opportunity to work with our community and city to build a pool that keeps our students active and positively engaged. We look forward to hearing from you in the near future.

Below is a photo of four Shorewood Swim Team freshman competing at the Snohomish Aquatic Center. Anna Kleyn is on the left. Coach and Teacher Susie McDowell has led Shorewood’s girl’s swim team for 29 years. Susie and our swim teams are a treasure to our community. Let’s keep them swimming!

Sincerely,

Jennifer, Frank, Lucas, and Anna Kleyn

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6. **We welcome your comments in the space below.**
   Where is the space for toddlers/early swimmers? Families with young kids need a wading pool/indoor splash pad. Especially since none of Shoreline’s outdoor parks have a splash park!

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   (○) Yes

5. **If you answered, "yes" to the question above, what organization do you represent?**
   The Highlands (neighborhood)

6. **We welcome your comments in the space below.**
   I would love to be included in any and all communications about the CAC.

   I would also like have my information shared with the park funding advisory committee.

   A fully functioning FULL competition swimming pool (8 lanes, diving, spectator viewing, concessions) is mandatory to the success of this endeavor.
Hi Eric, my name is Angie Nouwens. I am a long time resident of Shoreline, work as a math teacher at Shorewood High School, and have a family of swimmers who have participated on just about every swim team opportunity that Shoreline has to offer. My sons began their swim lessons at the Shoreline Pool and continued their skill building on the summer swim team, the Gators. We then became members of the Innis Arden swim club and continue to this day participating in that summer competitive swim league. My three kids learned to love swimming so much that we began year round swimming both with Cascade Swim Club and now the YMCA. One of my children is now in college but still is very active

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in the aquatics field every time he comes home. He is a head life guard, swim instructor, and summer swim coach for the Y Penguins. Before he left for college, however, he swam for Shorewood all four years including serving as one of the team captains. I still have two children at Shorewood. My freshman daughter just finished up her first experience with SW girls swim and dive and was fortunate to be the only individual to compete at state. She has now returned back to her year round team at the Y but still goes to Shoreline pool for dive practice since there are no blocks at the Y. Finally, my middle son is just starting his third year at Shorewood, started up with swim and dive just this past week, and plans to go for a third year to swim at state. He too works as a lifeguard and swim instructor at the Y. Collectively my family has almost 30 years of swimming experience recreationally and competitively. As I reflect back on those 30 years there is one experience that stands out in my mind and that is high school swim. I will never forget when my oldest son came home and was so excited to tell me about kids who were actually joining swim team that had never jumped off a dive block before and only knew how to swim one length of the pool! He thought they were so brave to join this sport right alongside state level athletes and better yet, he was so impressed with the welcoming atmosphere EVERYONE received regardless of skill level. That is not common to see in the world of youth sports. Since that day my other two children have had the exact same experiences. I have watched my middle son encourage other new swimmers and help them along sharing his insight to make their experience just as meaningful. I have watched him cheering on his friend who had never tried swimming before as he dove off the block for the first time. And just like the first two, I got to experience the same thing with girls swim. My own best friend’s two daughters decided to take a chance and turn out for high school swim and dive because my own daughter told them everyone gets to participate, no matter what skill level. One of her friends found out her gymnastics abilities made her the perfect candidate for dive, something she had never dreamed of doing before. What a joy to hear my daughter come home and say how high school swim and dive was like having 60 sisters! She has experienced many levels of competition but it was this camaraderie with her high school team mates that was such an amazing experience, particularly as she was starting out as a new freshman.

I am sharing all of this with you because I think we have an opportunity with the new Shoreline Aquatics Center to continue this legacy for many generations to come. More importantly, I think this facility has the potential to impact young people from all socio-economic backgrounds, ethnicities, and demographics. I have spent a lot of time on the decks of pools watching my kids through the years in many different swim team settings. The most impacting ones for me are not necessarily the elite competitive groups but the ones like the YMCA Orcas, the Shoreline Gators, or Shorewood high school boys and girls teams. These three venues offer something that is often unattainable in the greater competitive swim community, a chance to compete in an all-inclusive and non-cut format. I would like to see this continue in a proactive way with the new Shoreline facility. Here is how I think our city, parks planning, and school district should be moving towards that goal:

1). The new facility should be able to accommodate competitive swimming that is accessible to all with an 8 lane pool. Having our city provide such a facility not only ensures our high schools can continue to offer the same all-inclusive programs that they have been doing but it also attracts other highly competitive swim teams to use our facility. This has the potential to be a considerable revenue source. These additional swim teams offer local opportunities for younger children from all different backgrounds to be exposed to this life long sport and potentially compete at the high school level in the years to come. I have seen kids’ lives changed who were exposed to this sport through the Gators or the Y and who would lose that chance if the only options before high school were local private clubs.
2). The new facility should have some accommodation for a dive tank. While my kids didn’t dive, when they began high school swim we were all exposed to the world of diving. What a gift that sport has been for kids who didn’t necessarily want to swim competitively but wanted to be part of an aquatics team. We watched the entire team circle the pool cheering these divers on. So many high schools have let diving go and will never be able to turn back that decision. I hope Shoreline recognizes how much dive is part of the aquatics experience in our high schools and can’t happen without a proper facility.

3). The new facility has to be able to encourage community gathering through additional seating capacity besides the pool deck. Not only does high school competition need viewing but all of the different swim leagues bring the community together during competition. Just like the football and baseball stadiums that our city offers for our youth, swimming impacts so many lives now and will continue to do so in the future. We need to be proactive and encourage that community involvement.

Thank you for reading my thoughts on this matter. I am really looking forward to working with all of you in this process to make sure that we don’t lose this opportunity for the many generations to come.

Regards,

Angie Nouwens
Dear Members of the City Council,
I am writing in full support of the Shoreline Aquatics Center project and to encourage all stakeholders involved to please ensure the design of the pool and all deck areas provide optimal space to best serve our extensive swim community and enable the facility to host first-rate high school, summer league, masters and club competitions. It is paramount the new pool represent the latest in aquatics engineering and planning to maximize its long-term potential for revenue and inclusive communal opportunities. Specific to this vision, providing an 8-lane competition pool (instead of the limited, restrictive vision of 6 lanes in the current design options), a separate multi-use pool providing warmer water opportunities for diving, water aerobics, lessons (learn-to-swim/lifeguard/scuba/search and rescue training/aquatic therapies/etc.) and ample deck space to provide for parents and patrons, not just for daily use but also for well-attended “full house” competitions. With insightful planning and considerations, the Shoreline Aquatics Center will provide wide-ranging aquatics opportunities to the community and be the crown jewel of all community pools in the greater Seattle area. If I can provide any assistance or insight, please don’t hesitate to reach out. Thank you for your foresight and enduring support of this wonderful project.
All my best,
David Orr
Executive Director/Head Coach
Cascade Swim Club

Thanks, Eric, appreciate your response and please let me know if you have any suggestions as to who best to contact to discuss potential improvements to the design. Having just moved to Seattle and taken residence in Shoreline, I am astounded by the lack of 8-lane pools throughout the area, especially seeing every 6-lane pool I visit filled to capacity. Shoreline has a real opportunity to create something special simply by expanding the vision a little. I worry the down-sizing of design, as often happens in aquatics, will severely limit and handicap the facility, creating a budget-strained loss leader with no room to grow communal partners who offer added revenue and economic development opportunities.
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to the city. Feel free to give me a call to discuss and to pass along my contact info to anyone, thanks so much.

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1. Janet Peterson  
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7. Shoreline has a history of being forward-thinking, as shown by the projected design of the Aurora Square area, the maintenance of park spaces, and the future development of both residences and commercial sites near the light rail. I urge you to continue that forward-thinking frame of mind as you plan for the new Shoreline pool and recreation site. As a parent of two Shorewood highschool swimmer graduates, a lap swimmer myself at the current Shoreline pool, and a grandparent of two Innis Arden summer swimmers, I know how healthy and robust the swimming community is in Shoreline. Increasing the lanes of the newly-planned pool to 8 lanes with a dive pool will meet both the current and future needs of our community. Now is the time to make this decision. Please oppose the current 6-lane plan and adopt the 8-lane plan with a dive pool.  
Thank you,
Janet Peterson  
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Dear City of Shoreline Parks Director Eric Friedli,

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Emily Jo Rajotte, MPH

Dear Eric,

I am writing as I have serious concern about the following. My husband Allan & I are parents of 3 girls who have been swimming all of their life, as one of THE most important life skills we know our kids must embrace. Our girls, subsequently, have also blossomed and grown into strong swimmers and leaders in this sport with Seattle Summer Swim League (SSSL) at Innis Arden and at Shorewood High School, most recently swimming at 3A State in Federal Way (Samantha).

It is essential that this new aquatic center include the following considerations so that our swim programs can thrive and continue to be supported. Please consider the importance of the following components:

1. An eight-lane pool – to support large teams and efficient swim meets, plus increase potential for multi-use and increase lesson capacity
2. A dive tank – to support high school swim & dive teams, and allow as many student athletes as possible to participate in non-cut teams
3. A robust viewing area – to support the revenue potential that comes with the ability to host club swim meets

Allan & I thank you and look forward to helping guide the vision of this centerpiece in our community!

Sincerely,
Betsy

Betsy D. Rand

Hello

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   - Does the Community & Aquatics Center have any plan to include a Shoreline Senior Center including all the programs offered at the current Shoreline-Lake Forrest Park Senior Center?

Dear Director Eric Friedli,

We have lived in our house in Shoreline for over 40 years. I am writing an appeal to you regarding the Shoreline Aquatic Center. Both our children learned to swim at the Shoreline Pool. Both our children
were lifeguards and swim instructors and our daughter also started the Shoreline Diving Program. These positions provided an opportunity for them to learn all the positive lessons of work; responsibility, civic awareness, and working with people of all types of backgrounds and abilities. Our daughter participated on her high school dive team and continued to dive in a Division One school in the East Coast in college. We feel it is vital for all people to know how to safely be around and in water. So does Columbia University in New York. They require all students to pass a swimming test to obtain their college diploma.

Swimming and diving should continue at the high school level as a no cut sport. Please consider the impact on future generations of students and the community. As a taxpayer who has always supported the schools both in dollars and volunteer park for over 40 years, please consider three things: An eight-lane pool, a dive tank, and a viewing area.

Thank you,

Karen and Doug Schneider

Dear Eric,

I wanted to reach out and voice my enthusiastic support of a full and complete vision of the new Shoreline Aquatic Center.

I was a strong member in the effort to save Yost Pool and believe this new Shoreline project has the capability of elevating youth swim skills for the future if decisions are made with a wide vision of swim excellence in mind.

Since 1998, we have lived in Shoreline, have been a high school swim coach since 1992, and the Innis Arden Head Coach 2000, 2001 and Klahaya Head Coach from 2014-present.

At Klahaya we have about 170+ swimmers and a large percentage of the team kids swim for Shorewood or Cascade at the current Shoreline Pool.

Furthermore, I am an Early Morning Lap swimmer at 5:30am at Shoreline.

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Don’t think small. Think about serving the community with Aquatic safety and robust fitness.

I tell adults and kids—if a person does not know to play baseball, soccer, lacrosse- they will not die. But if a person does not know how to swim, they could die. With Lake Washington, Puget Sound, and NW lakes around us, this is a chance to insure water safety for all North Seattle citizens.

Thank you for your time.

Peace,

Tom Schutte
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Hi Eric,

I understand that there is a meeting on Weds. concerning the design of a new Shoreline Aquatics Center.

I have been informed that the current conceptual design does not incorporate a dive well which is hard to believe.

Diving has been a hand in hand partner with swimming for all of us as we have grown up. And for those who look to pursue it further or just to enjoy that sport they should have that opportunity and so it should be offered at any new facility.

I just would like our kids to have as much opportunity to do things they enjoy in life as it will get much tougher for them in their later years. Let’s not think short term costs lets think long term for our kids. We should take that approach on everything.

I just wanted to send you my feedback as I am working and will not be able attend the meeting. But I hope you will support a proposal to have a Dive well be a part of the new pool.

Thanks Eric.
Take care and have a great day.
Cheers, Keith Stickelmaier

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Hi,
I love to sauna after after excercising. The YMCA does not have a sauna and this could add to its appeal. I think it would be a great addition to the shoreline aquatic center.

Brian

Mr. Friedli,

I would respectfully ask that the City of Shoreline city manager and planning committees should be working with the Shoreline School District to ensure that the High School swimming programs needs will be met in their planning. Although the City owns the pool, it is my understanding that the site/property is owned by the Shoreline School district. I would think that the Shorelines schools needs should be met in the planning process, as you are utilizing school property. That would seem to be a minimum requirement for using the property of the schools for city uses. Please see my comments about the need for:

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Please do consider the School districts need in any planning going forward on the Aquatics Center.

Thank you for your time,
Kerri Hallgrimson
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   We need a larger pool than we have now!! A dive tank/warm up pool would make the pool capable of holding swim meets and generating revenue. We also need at least 8 lanes to accommodate all the swimmers. The current pool is overcrowded. It would also make swim meets shorter and the pool more desirable for hosting them-more revenue. Don't build a pool that can't serve the community- that would be a waste of money. Build it right or don't build it at all.

   I would recommend you look more closely at adding a wellness pool similar to the one at Lynnwood pool. That pool seems to get more use by a wider range of people (disabled, kids, elderly) as it’s warmer and shallow. I noticed you have no hot tubs on your plan, the family hot tub at the lynnwood pool is heavily used as kids get cold quickly due to lower body fat and often want to warm up a little before going back in the leisure pool.
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   2. Shoreline will do nothing but grow over the next several years. Let’s build a facility that actually meets that growth.
   3. Let’s not just meet the needs of the architects. Let’s build something that actually WORKS! 

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   As I understand it, the new Shoreline pool is being designed with not nearly enough space for even it’s current needs, let alone the quickly growing needs of the community. That doesn’t make any sense. Please consider this.