



**Date:** July 24, 2014

**To:** Mayor and Members of the City Council

**From:** Patrick H. West, City Manager

**Subject:** Belmont Beach & Aquatics Center Stakeholders Advisory Committee Formed

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In response to the City Council's request on June 17, 2014, the Department of Parks, Recreation and Marine, in coordination with Third District Councilmember Suzie Price and the City Manager, has formed an ad hoc Belmont Beach & Aquatics Center Stakeholders Advisory Committee. The purpose of the Committee is to make a recommendation to the City Council regarding the various amenities needed in the new facility within the financial resources available for this project. This ad hoc Advisory Committee will represent the various user groups, aquatics disciplines, residents, businesses, recreational users, and all other stakeholders.

Each member of the Advisory Committee will represent specific groups, and will be tasked with the responsibility of gathering their input so that all voices are heard. Upon the advice of the City Attorney, the Advisory Committee will consist of members who do not have a financial stake in the design of the pool, such as a permit for use or direct or indirect financial interest. The Advisory Committee is designed to make recommendations to City staff and the Mayor and Members of the City Council by the end of August.

In addition to the Advisory Committee meetings, the Advisory Committee will hold a public meeting in August to report on the status of their collaborative discussion, and take additional input from the user groups, residents, businesses, and any other stakeholder, before reporting the results of their recommendations to the Mayor and City Council.

The members of the Advisory Committee, and the stakeholders they represent, are listed in Attachment A. The Advisory Committee principles are also attached (Attachment B). This Advisory Committee is just one of the many opportunities to receive input from the community on this project, including a public meeting in August 2014, and the opportunities for public comment at the Planning Commission, City Council, and through the environmental review process for this facility.

If you have questions, please contact Tom Modica, Deputy City Manager, at (562) 570-5091

cc: Charles Parkin, City Attorney  
Suzanne Frick, Assistant City Manager

## Attachment A: List of Stakeholders Advisory Committee Members

<b>Representative</b>	<b>Affiliation/Background</b>	<b>Interests Represented</b>
Frank Busch	USA Swimming	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Competitive swimming</li> <li>• Swimming skill development</li> </ul>
Don Leas	USA Diving	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Competitive diving</li> <li>• Diving skill development</li> </ul>
Kathy Heddy Drum	Long Beach Swimming Olympian	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Competitive swimmers</li> <li>• Private swimming organizations renting pool</li> </ul>
Ryan Bailey	Long Beach Water Polo Olympian	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Water polo players</li> <li>• Private water polo organizations renting pool</li> </ul>
Raquel Bartlow	Long Beach Competitive Diver	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Divers</li> <li>• Private diving organizations renting pool</li> </ul>
John Norris	Long Beach Resident	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Recreational swimmers</li> </ul>
Lucy Johnson	Long Beach Resident	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Competitive aquatics programs</li> </ul>
John McMullen, Sr.	Long Beach Resident	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• All stakeholders</li> </ul>
Shawn Oatey	Long Beach Resident	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• All stakeholders</li> </ul>
Kaia Hedlund	Long Beach Resident	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Competitive aquatics programs</li> </ul>
Susan Miller	Belmont Shore Residents Association	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Resident interests</li> </ul>
Dede Rossi	Belmont Shore Business Association	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Local business interests</li> </ul>
Dick Miller	Aquatics Capital of America	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Aquatics Capital of America stakeholders</li> </ul>

## **Attachment B: Stakeholders Advisory Committee Principles**

- The purpose of the Advisory Committee is to represent the various user groups, aquatics disciplines, residents, businesses, recreational users, and any other stakeholders, while making recommendations to the City of Long Beach on creating a high-quality aquatics facility within the resources identified for the project.
- Each member of the Advisory Committee representing individual stakeholders is responsible for gathering their input through individual meetings and dialogue.
- Upon the advice of the City Attorney, the Advisory Committee will consist of members who do not have a financial stake in the design of the pool, such as a permit for use or direct or indirect financial interest.
- The Advisory Committee is designed to make recommendations to City staff and the Mayor and Members of the City Council within 30 days.
- To ensure a collaborative process, members are asked to work through the Advisory Committee process and not to post details of the Advisory Committee's discussions on social media, blogs, or other avenues.
- The meetings will be for designated Advisory Committee members only and supporting City and project staff. Members that cannot make a meeting can participate remotely, or alternatively select one of the other appointed Advisory Committee members to represent their interests.

As a member of the Belmont Beach & Aquatics Center Stakeholders Advisory Committee, I am responsible for:

- Communicating with the specific user/stakeholder groups that I represent via email communication and/or face-to-face meeting prior to and after Advisory Committee meetings in order to share information and elicit input for the proposed project. I understand that it is my duty to conduct outreach with these groups and provide their feedback to the Advisory Committee members.
- Working collaboratively with the members of the Advisory Committee to recommend solutions that will result in a high-quality facility within identified financial resources.
- Listening to other Advisory Committee members as we debate the features of the new facility.
- Respecting ideas that other members may propose that I may not agree with, and to work on finding solutions.
- Realizing that compromise is the art of the possible, and to keep an open mind as the Advisory Committee explores recommendations.