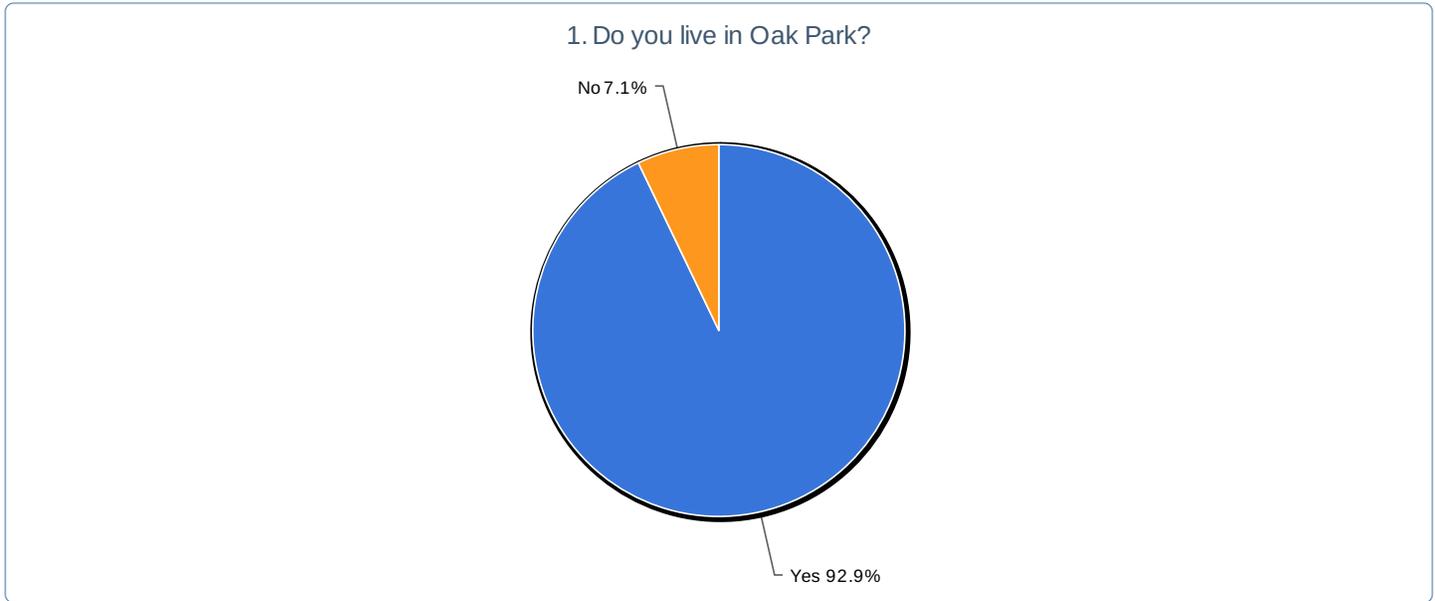


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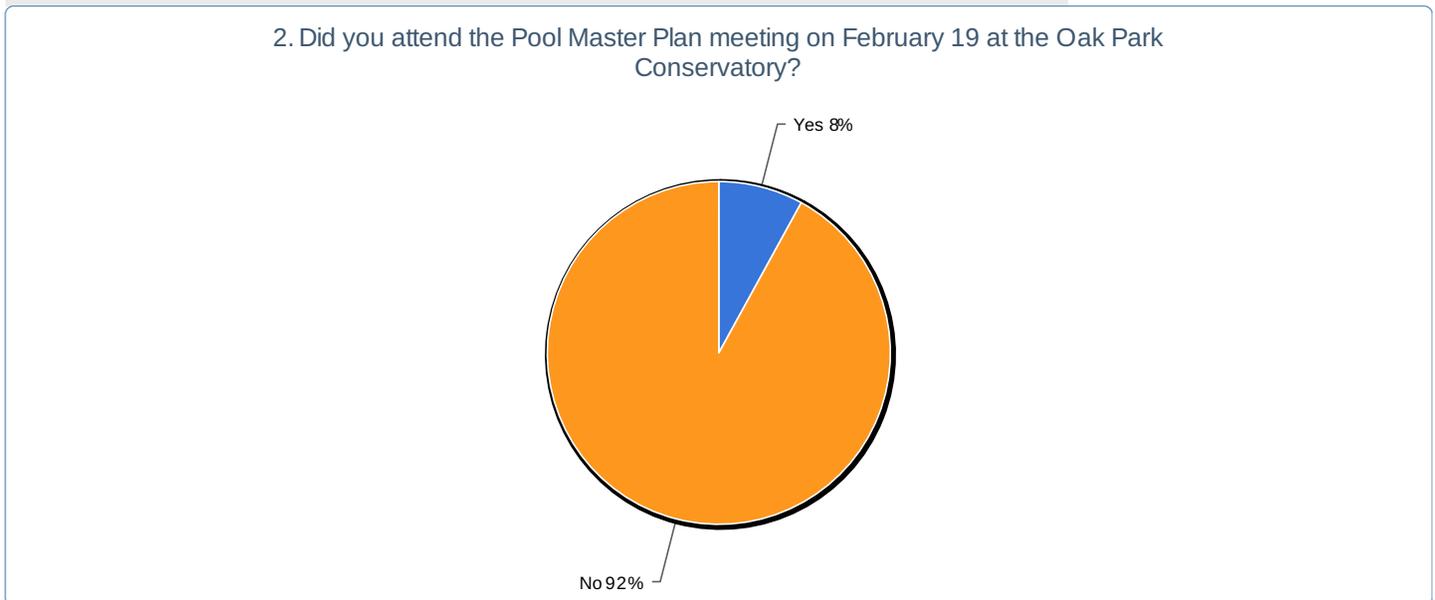
Survey: Pools Master Plan Survey



1. Do you live in Oak Park?

Value	Count	Percent %
Yes	456	92.9%
No	35	7.1%

Statistics	
Total Responses	491

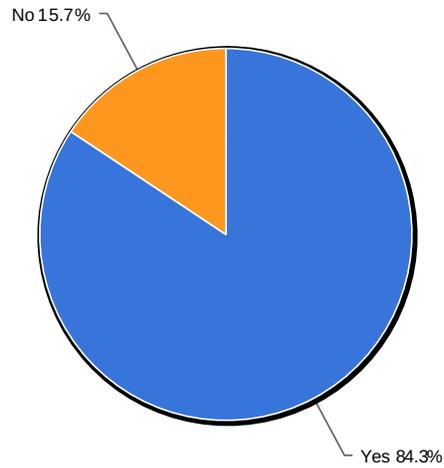


2. Did you attend the Pool Master Plan meeting on February 19 at the Oak Park Conservatory?

Value	Count	Percent %
Yes	39	8.0%
No	449	92.0%

Statistics	
Total Responses	488

3. Have you owned a pool pass or lap pass in the last 3 years?

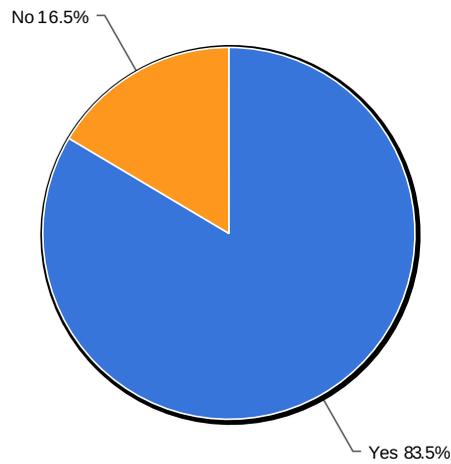


3. Have you owned a pool pass or lap pass in the last 3 years?

Value	Count	Percent %
Yes	409	84.3%
No	76	15.7%

Statistics	
Total Responses	485

4. Do you have any children in your household age 18 or under?

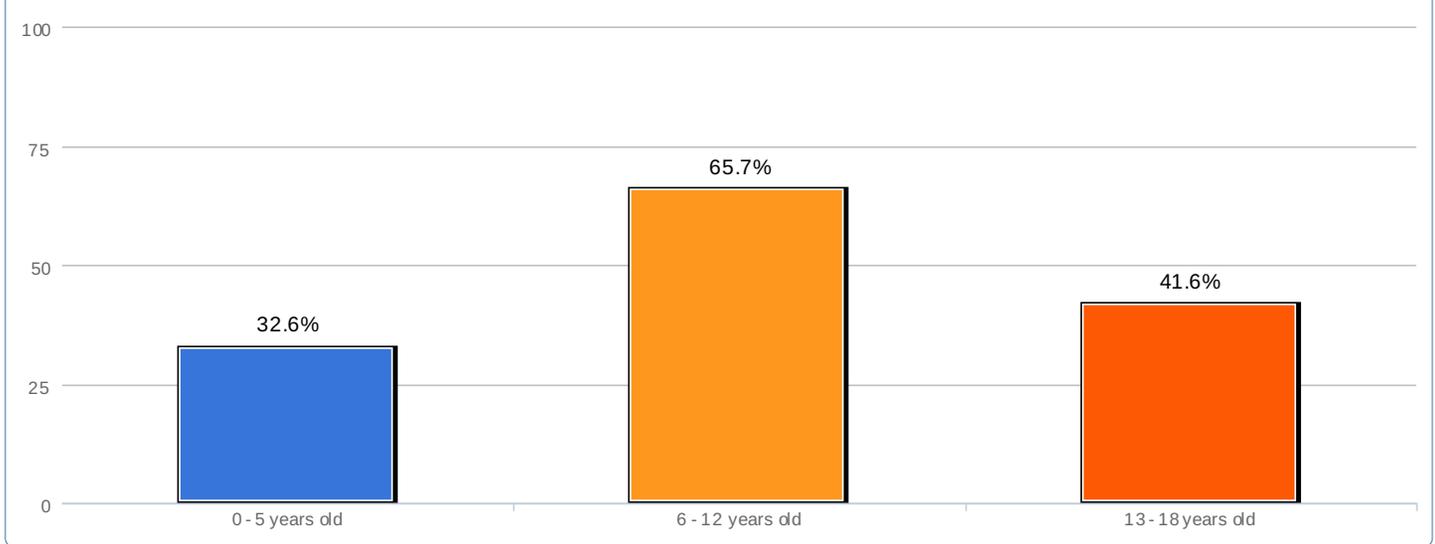


4. Do you have any children in your household age 18 or under?

Value	Count	Percent %
Yes	411	83.5%
No	81	16.5%

Statistics	
Total Responses	492

5. What are the ages of the children residing in your household?

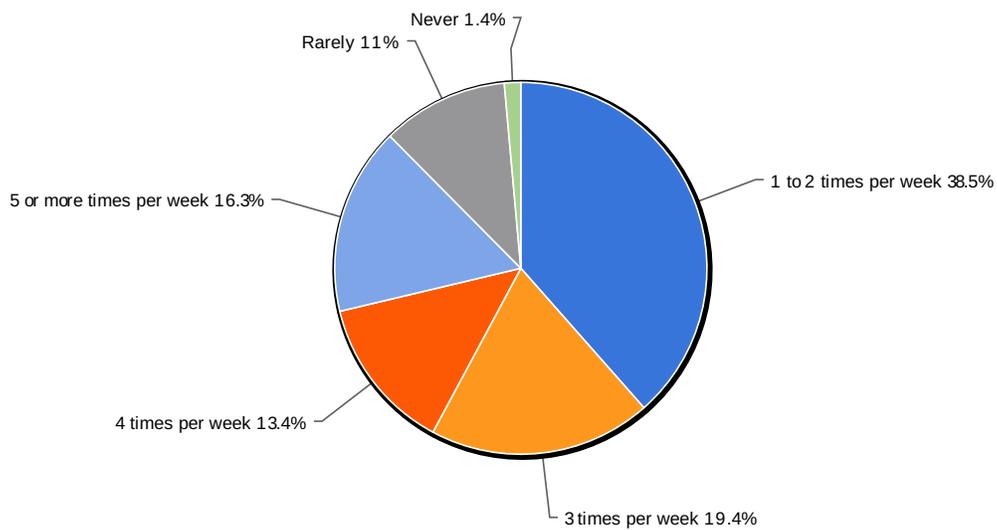


5. What are the ages of the children residing in your household?

Value	Count	Percent %
0 - 5 years old	134	32.6%
6 - 12 years old	270	65.7%
13 - 18 years old	171	41.6%

Statistics	
Total Responses	411
Sum	3,843.0
Avg.	9.4
StdDev	3.4
Max	13.0

6. How often do you frequent Park District pools?

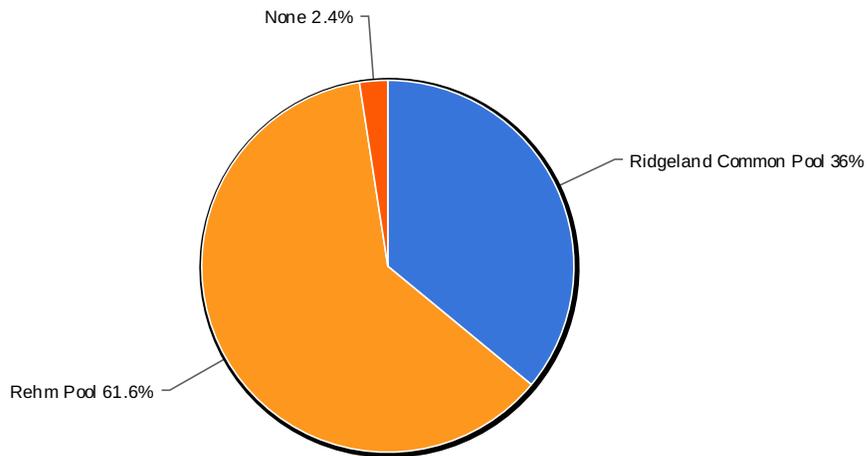


6. How often do you frequent Park District pools?

Value	Count	Percent %
1 to 2 times per week	189	38.5%
3 times per week	95	19.4%
4 times per week	66	13.4%
5 or more times per week	80	16.3%
Rarely	54	11.0%
Never	7	1.4%

Statistics	
Total Responses	491
Sum	1,138.0
Avg.	2.6
StdDev	1.6
Max	5.0

7. Which pool do you frequent the most?

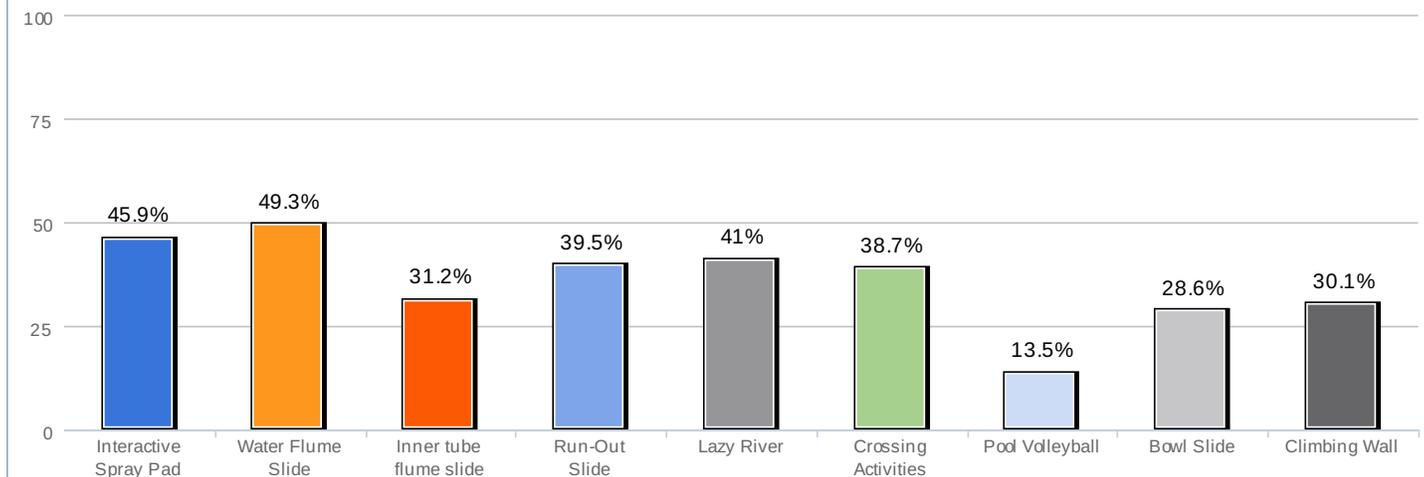


7. Which pool do you frequent the most?

Value	Count	Percent %
Ridgeland Common Pool	177	36.0%
Rehm Pool	303	61.6%
None	12	2.4%

Statistics	
Total Responses	492

8. Which of the following amenities would you like the Park District to provide at their pool facilities?



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Value	Count	Percent %
Interactive Spray Pad	122	45.9%
Interactive Spray Play Area	0	0.0%
Water Flume Slide	131	49.3%
Inner tube flume slide	83	31.2%
Run-Out Slide	105	39.5%
Lazy River	109	41.0%
Crossing Activities	103	38.7%
Pool Volleyball	36	13.5%
Bowl Slide	76	28.6%
Climbing Wall	80	30.1%

Statistics	
Total Responses	266

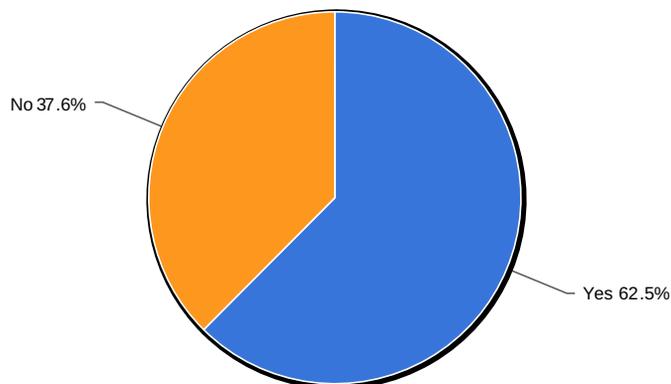
9. From the previous list of pool amenities, please select your top four in order by moving your choices from the left column to the right column. If you are completing this question on a mobile device, please turn your device to landscape view.

Item	Total Score ¹	Overall Rank
Water Flume Slide	624	1
Interactive Spray Pad	575	2
Lazy River	574	3
Climbing Wall	407	4
Crossing Activities	400	5
Run-Out Slide	395	6
Inner-Tube Flume Slide	331	7
Bowl Slide	322	8
Pool Volleyball	260	9
Sand Play	0	10
Climbing Wall	0	11
Adult Whirlpool	0	12
Interactive Spray Play Area	0	13

Total Respondents: 421

¹ Score is a weighted calculation. Items ranked first are valued higher than the following ranks, the score is the sum of all weighted rank counts.

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Value	Count	Percent %
Yes	306	62.5%
No	184	37.6%

Statistics	
Total Responses	490

11. Do you have any additional ideas or comments regarding Park District of Oak Park pools?

Count	Response
1	I enjoy lap swim.. Anything you can do to enhance this I would appreciate.
1	Add an adult water exercise class with evening hours!
1	An resident adult with a pool pass should not have to pay additional money for a lap pass
1	At Ridgeland, have the snack bar lead to the outside.
1	Be sure to keep lap swim areas for teams to practice.
1	Better snacks
1	Bigger lockers
1	Both pools need more shade options and more seating
1	Consider converting Ridgeland to an indoor pool when the time comes to renovate it.
1	Consider offering lap swimming everday in the eves.
1	Continue offering varying times for lap swim
1	Definitely more non-swimming water activities like slides
1	Designate a lap swim lane all day.
1	Do not remove the sand volleyball courts at Rehm park.
1	Don't close the pool!
1	Earlier hours for Rehm pool.
1	Extended hours for lap swim, or at least one lane dedicated to lap swim at peak times, please!!!
1	Extended hours in August. That month is brutal.
1	Get a bubble for the winter so we can have lap swimming year round. More lap swimming.
1	Have giveaways for pool passes.
1	Healthier snacks or smoothie vending machines. Get rid of Rehm platforms. Nicer locker areas.
1	I don't think it needs these proposed activities. Just the pool.
1	I like that the pool pass price is lower this year. Please keep the prices low.
1	I would like to keep an adult section.
1	I would like to see lap swimming at both Rehm and Ridgeland.
1	I wouldn't want addt'l features to take away from lap lanes.
1	I'd like more/later evening hours for family/public swim.
1	I'd rather have more grass to lay on or play on than additional play structures.
1	Important to maintain lap capabilities
1	Increase time for lap swimming.
1	Indoor pool
1	Indoor year round lap pool at Ridgeland
1	It would be nice to have morning open swim hours at one of the pools.
1	Keep as much as the lap lanes as possible
1	Keep lap swim Monday through Friday from 9:00 AM until 10:30 AM.
1	Keep the tennis courts!!!!!! No public restroom in rehm park.
1	Lap Swim to support team sports
1	Lap swim is more important than lazy river and other amenities that take up space.
1	Lap swim pool area is important and the size we have now is sufficient - no less please
1	Lap swimming is my highest priority.
1	Locker rooms are very dark and smelly.
1	Longer and earlier lap sws on w/ ends.
1	Longer hours. And no closing for half an hour at 5ish at Rehm.
1	Love the new hours. Much more convenient
1	Make sure there is enough time for lap swim and swim teams

1	Make the focus on swimming actual laps and everything needed for swim teams.
1	Maybe put a turn style to exit the pool.
1	More Indoor pool access for lap swim during the winter!!
1	More activities/programming and features for tweens and teens would be welcome.
1	More adult only space.
1	More adult time with lap swim time.
1	More fun for kids, go check out the pool in Lisle, they have done it right
1	More lane pool space for laps.
1	More lap lanes and times for same
1	More lap swim access.
1	More lap swimming
1	More lap swimming options!
1	More lap time
1	More lap time!! And allowance for swim team practice!
1	More opportunities for lap swim.
1	More places to eat, picnic style, for families.
1	More seating in concession area at Rehm
1	More shade definitely!!
1	More shade!!!!!! More chairs!!!!!!
1	More time for High School Swimmers and adult swimming lanes.
1	Much more shaded areas needed. More designated adult seating poolside.
1	My children do lap swimming so would like to maintain the number of lanes for lap swimming
1	My daughter really would like a bowl slide, more slides & activities for tweens.
1	Need a better system to clean out pool and disinfect from fecal matter.
1	Need indoor pool for year around lap swimming.
1	Need to continue to support tops swim program
1	Need to keep it as a pool so people can practice swimming and the pool can support swim meets.
1	No fee for infants
1	No food or eating should be allowed on the deck Better deck chairs available near the pool
1	Nope.
1	Not at this time
1	One of the pools should have indoor capabilities for year round swimming.
1	Our family frequents both pools about equally, depending on the schedule of when they're open!
1	Our kids need access to a competitive 50 meter pool.
1	Parking at ridge land is important
1	Please do not reduce lap swimming. Important for adults and kids.
1	Please do not take away lap swim at Rehm pool
1	Please don't neglect the tax payers who don't have children.
1	Please improve the concessions
1	Please keep enough room for lap swimming for high school teams.
1	Please keep the baby pool. There needs to be a safe place to introduce babies to the pool.
1	Please keep the maximum amount of lap swimming. Thanks!
1	Please maintain and promote options for lap swimming.
1	Please provide more shade areas and a splash pad for younger kids would be great.
1	Please try to incorporate kiddie pool into plan.
1	Pools MUST be available to OPRF competitive swim programs, TOPS and OPRFHS swimming.
1	Preserve / expand lap swim opportunities.
1	Preserve the availability of lap swimming + availability to local youth swim teams for training

1	Reduce the fees for residents for occasional use.
1	Rehm needs their lounge chairs replaced and working vending machines
1	Retrofit rehm to install temp bulkhead for final lane. Replace diving platforms with slides
1	Still allow access to pools for swim teams
1	There are plenty of teenagers and adults that would like to be able to lap swim.
1	Times for resident-only swimming, or residents pay less than non-residents.
1	Updated locker room
1	WE NEED AN INDOOR POOL!!!!!!
1	Water slides...YES! It's about time. Can't wait!
1	We need better indoor pool options in Oak Park.
1	We need to improve the hours of operation -- make them longer.
1	We really need a state of the art indoor pool that can be utilized across generations.
1	We should not do anything to the pools that would reduce lap lanes.
1	We would stop using the pool if you introduced "toys" that obstructed swimming.
1	Would love to see an indoor pool that can be used in the dead of winter.
1	better swim lessons, all year round open swim pool, swim team for kids in Oak Park.
1	expand family swim times
1	healthier food service!
1	lap lanes
1	lap swim is most important to me and my family
1	lap swim, masters swim, year round swim, access for age group swim teams.
1	make the pools indoor so that they can be used all year rather than for three months.
1	more lap swim hours
1	more lap swim times at REhem
1	more shaded areas
1	no
1	please keep hours in blocks - I think one of the pools used to close between 4:30 and 5pm or so.
1	separate lap swim upcharge is a little silly ridgeland closing seems to be longer than necessary
1	there are far too many safety breaks--takes away from the time the pool can be enjoyed.
1	water pool court / equipment / practice nets etc..
1	we like the high dive a lot please don't take that away
1	we need more lap swim for local teams
1	would hate to see lap swim minimized with space-consuming things like a lazy river
1	would like more availability for lap swimming
1	zero depth entry at ridgeland
1	1. Wave Pool at ...Ridgeland 2. Block off zero depth side of Rehm to limit frequency of poop accidents. Or make all swim diaper wearers stay in baby pool. I'm fed up with swimming in poop. 3. Enclose one pool with sliding glass walls and roof to extend swim season to end of Oct., open Mid May.
1	I am a swimmer and play water polo at the high school. Nothing should be built that changes the configuration of lanes for any swimming, whether it be lessons, teams and practice. I would also like to see the Park District allow the water polo clubs in the area (Fenwick & OPRF) to utilize the pool for outdoor play for each team at least 1 time a summer. That's what we (athletes on the teams) would like.
1	we need to keep as many lanes for lap swim as possible. swimmers who use these lanes during the summer for recreation or as part of a swim team are continually losing pool time and space
1	Question: is the new proposed splash play area open to the public during pool hours? If so, how do you keep people out of the pool area that do not have passes, but plan to use the spray park.
1	The Park District needs more swimming lessons and an indoor pool. They don't need enhanced water features. Shade would be nice.
1	Swimming is such an important part of pool usage. Installing features that would interfere with swimming would be a real setback. Currently, Oak Park is pool deficient. Too few pools to meet the swimming needs of the community.

1	large pool structures are not needed or should be limited to 1 pool (ridgeland or rehm not both)..Oak Park needs to keep lap lanes a priority for our swimmers and swim team communities.
1	Having kid activities is great but remember all ages; having lap swims at multiple times is also great for us older folks. And Oak Park could be a great draw for visitors if it had one of its two pools be developed for competitive swim meets.
1	The majority of people at the meeting, the taxpayers/community were not in favor of this plan and this is not a scientific survey. We do not want or need a water park.
1	Rehm pool needs additional deck/grass area for families. Baby pool at Rehm should be available during safety breaks but with age limits for kids. Needs to be serious consideration for a year-round structure.
1	I strongly feel that Oak Park has missed an opportunity when rebuilding the Ridgeland Commons. I wish that as much emphasis had and will be placed on swimming. We have no facility in Oak Park to hold meets and most other suburbs do have something like this. The pool at the high school is ridiculous. Building and having a facility that provides the opportunity to have the 2 major teams in the Oak Park area (TOPS and Millennium) hold meets would be a money making venture. Futhermore, please don't put anything in the pools that would take away lanes for the teams to practice.
1	I feel they need to put the wall back that offers connection to the zero depth pool. I do a lot of lap swimming and support the swim team that swims there. I feel that the main 50 meter should be retained and utilized more. I would love to see a deep end that could support a water polo program & tournament.
1	The choke point between the zero depth and the 50 meter can be precarious for young children, particularly for parents monitoring multiple kids.
1	I would hate to loose pool real state for us to do lap exercises. I really like the wide pools to swim.
1	Why in the world are you taking over our lap swim pool for features that can only be used by children? This is the WORST IDEA EVER. WHY MUST I PAY TAXES IF I CANNOT SWIM LAPS AT THE POOL. WE ARE NOT WISCONSIN DELLS. THIS IS A WASTE OF MY TAX DOLLARS AND ELIMINATES LAP SWIMMING FOR ADULTS, SENIORS, THE DISABLED, AND COMPETITIVE SWIM TEAMS. THE BALLPLAYER LOBBY MESSED UP RIDGELAND COMMON, AND THE POOL DESIGN THERE IS NOW HORRIBLE!!! WHY ARE YOU DISENFRANCHISING SWIMMERS. THIS SUCKS!!! AND IT IS UNFAIR TO THE ADULT POPULATION THAT PAYS TAXES AND HAS VIRTUALLY NO PARKS LEFT. THEY ARE ALL BALLFIELDS, AND NOW WATERPARKS --?? WHAT WE REALLY NEED NOW IS A NEW PARK BOARD WHO WILL ALLOW TAXPAYERS/ADULTS TO ENJOY PARKS AND POOLS!!!
1	There should be more areas with tables and/or grassy areas with some shade. A few dedicated lap lanes would be nice to have, if not at both pools at least at one of the pools.
1	increase lap swim increase flexibility to keep pool open on hot days at beginning or end of season
1	I think it is important to keep as many lanes open for lap swim. I don't support building permanent structures that reduce the amount of lanes available for the various swim teams to practice.
1	Most of the activities presented here are large, taking up both deck space and pool area. My biggest concern is effect these activities would have on multiple uses and other programming, and lap and competitive swimming in particular. An objective listed at the meeting was providing amenities for ALL AGES, these ideas may infringe on other uses.
1	Zero entry pools at both locations would be great. Also it would be great if there were more pool pass options and if pool pass prices made more sense.
1	We need more clean, new lounge chairs. Why can't parents sit on the sides of the pool? It doesn't seem like it should matter.
1	Oak Park has a rich tradition of competitive swimming, and the only way to continue that is to insure it offers pool space and time to teams and individuals for lap swimming and practice.
1	I am one of MANY in the Oak Park community that swim for recreation, wellness and competition. Oak Park is seriously lacking pool space and time for the large number of swimmers in the community. I would urge the Park District to seriously consider all upgrades to the pools to focus first and foremost on ample space for lap swimming. Thank you.
1	We are lucky to have two pools - I would rather they stayed the same than to be charged more (either in pass or daily fees or taxes)
1	Please make sure we get our adult deck back at Rehm Pool. Also the employees should ALL be trained by someone who knows the pool rules.
1	I would like to make sure that the pools have enough space for lab swimming for adults and all the swim teams that would want to use it.
1	I wish there be nothing built that will change the way the pool is set up of swimming(lanes) and seating(adult deck). It's important to keep in mind the needs of all age groups, especially adults who use the pools, and not just the teens, tweens and younger children.

1	need indoor pool so can be used year round for swim lessons, competitive swimming, water polo, etc
1	yes, I feel Oak Park should offer senior citizen water arobics at a reasonable time of the day. They would increase flexibility and increased health.
1	It would be really nice to expand the experience at our pools beyond just swimming for the kids. The building structure at Rehm is laid out poorly and takes up too much room. The park district needs to fold the teases area of this park into the pool structure and use the wasted grass park space more effectively.
1	Redoing Ridgeland was enough upgrades. please don't spend too much money. Our taxes are way too high as it is.
1	I really don't think we need larger structures (like the lazy river idea.) Given the limited footprint of the pools, this would severely constrict actual pool space, and based on our family's experience at water parks, the lazy rivers are primarily for the younger children. To maximize resources, it is important to remember that the pool is the main event not all the bells and whistles that can only be used by a few people at a time.
1	Kid pools at Rehm needs to be separate from older kid swimming area because if the amount of pooping in pools! It happens so much I can hardly believe it!
1	my children are part of a swim team that utilizes rehm and ridgeland over the summer and it is important that lap lanes remain a big component of the overall plan for the pools. This is a great way for our school aged children to get outside and get some great exercise. Please keep these teams in mind when plans are finalized within our village.
1	We need to have an indoor pool option, by putting a dome or some other solution. Lap swim space is in very short supply in the community. We cannot sacrifice this. In fact we need to add to this.
1	So glad you are doing this. We need large spaces that can be used for Multipurposes. Lap lanes can be easily converted, please don't waste space on one activity
1	I am supportive fo changes IF they do not take away or impact lap swim. I have 2 children who are very INVOLVED in Hgh School and club swim teams and use this pool for their summer workouts. I would NOT want those activities impacted by any changes.
1	NO IDEA why the pool renovations were not coordinated with high school -- could have shared facilities and made better use of tax dollars!
1	An indoor facility. Create a lazy river at rehm by extending into the park. Add more trees/shade around the facility. Give Mike Lushniak a raise!
1	I wish you could bring back the end of summer dog swim. I know there are a number of good reasons it was stopped, but it was one of the most fun events sponsored by the PDOP. Also, I attended the meeting at the Conservatory and was under the impression that this survey would be asking for feedback on the proposal for a state grant. Obviously the PDOP does not have to get public buy-in on all that it does, but the communication of expectations for public comments on this short-term situation has been a bit unclear. I would just echo some of the key comments made that night with which I agree: 1) Consider a splash pad location near the Rehm playground - could part of the sun deck be repurposed? 2) The bathrooms are needed at Rehm Park, but should have been part of the park masterplan process not slipped in w/o full consideration. Also, it seems like a location closer to the playground and fire department should be considered. 3) Get rid of the sand. And add more seating, lounges, and umbrellas in that space. 4) If accessibility is the goal, why not make the baby pool accessible? 5) People weren't paying attention 3 years ago when the Rehm masterplan included tearing out the northern tennis court. You don't want to re-litigate that but it was clear people will complain when the demolition gets underway! Finally, as a neighbor to Rehm Park, I am very grateful for all the work that has gone into keeping the sidewalks clear this winter. Thank you very much!
1	Yes, I wish they had made ridgeland Pool an indoor pool for lap swimming. I wish they would rewall the area where you go from large pool to the zero depth pool / water play area. I just want the pool to be able to swimm laps in all lanes. Also I do not want my fees to rise so much higher because you want to add more slides & other water activities to the pool.
1	Why don't we cap the pools for winter use - caps can be removed for the summer. These caps are used all over MN and the Dakotas
1	Rehm pool does not need any additional pool structures. The zero depth is great. They should get rid of the sandbox. Years ago we were told a lifeguard would be posted making sure the kids shower off before going into the pool. It STILL this is not done. I did live in Oak Park then. It would bring back some of the patrons who left when you took away the senior and handicapped discounts. Our passes went up almost thirty dollars being non residents. Also please make sure the employees will be able to enforce the rules. For many years they hardly ever tell the parents they can not have kids on the adult deck. Last year is exempt from that. I do hope this year we have our adult deck back. Especially since half of it was taking away or camp kids who only use it for storing their stuff. Make no sense. There are many grassy areas they can use. They also run through the adult deck. As one of your handicapped patrons who has been going to Rehm Pool fpr 40 years it would be nice to be able to afford the pass. 80 dollars is extreem for someone ona VERY FIXED INCOME. I love going to workout in the water in the summer but this year I might not be able to afford the price.

	Please bring back senior and handicapped discounts. We need them. Thanks So Much,
1	I swim laps at Ridgeland or Rehm all summer long. Please retain the community's lap swim facilities. We are completely underserved for the OPRF area size and financial capability. Especially after the loss of the Concordia pool. What a shame if we lost the wonderful 50M pools where a triathlete like myself can train. And when we only had Rehm this summer it was overcrowded, so we need lap swim at both Ridgeland and Rehm. I have a 3 year old; I would love more amenities for him. But please provide for the adult and kid swimmers of OPRF. Thank you.
1	Oak Park needs to keep a competition pool for long course and short course seasons. It would be really great and ideal if the park district had an INDOOR competition pool for year round use. Ridgeland now has a year round ice rink...why not a year round pool?
1	I'm astonished that you have not provided a "none of the above" option in discussing additions to the pools. Because you deny that option, you simply cannot claim that these survey results reflect *any* straightforward community consensus. Most of us in this age of fiscal tightening would likely reject any such departure, especially ones so expensive as Lazy River. I'm all for necessary upgrades and maintenance, we use the pools a lot, but this is ridiculous.
1	I'd love to see a discounted lap pass as an add on to the regular pool pass (something like \$20 for the summer).
1	Please consider the High School and swim team lap time necessary to keep these teams competitive in our community. They use the public pools for practice during summer.
1	Would like an indoor pool. Restore adult pool at Rehm and have more visible placards explaining rules. Get rid of zero depth at Rehm.
1	The locker rooms and bathrooms at the pools are disgusting. They need updating and better everyday maintenance.
1	I don't think that any of the ideas in the plan need to be considered. We have a community pool, one which needs it's space for the community of lap swimmers and adult swimmers. The kids of OP seem to be enjoying themselves just as it is. Think of it's current use and keep it that way. No need to change.
1	I realize that the Park District is trying to 'keep up' with some of the other local pools and amenities, but I'd hate to see actual swimming space in the pool sacrificed for amenities that very few people will actually use. The pool gets pretty crowded in the summer and space in the water is at a premium. Don't limit that space for the sake of a few gadgets that 10 percent of the people who go to the pool will use.
1	There are always tons of kids in the sand lot. I think some of the grassy area should be used for the sand lot as opposed to getting rid of the sand entirely.
1	Be careful as the more amenities you provide the more you become a public pool instead of a local community pool. Large groups of teenagers who don't care about our community, misbehavior, disrespect,...
1	Please do not limit the number of lanes available for lap swimming for competitive swimmers. Also please do not change the length of the pool to a length that is not regulation for swimming. If you do options such as slides, etc. please make sure they do not impact competitive swimming. There is not enough pool time as is.
1	We need an indoor pool. Also, more beginning instruction needs to be in zero depth pool. Beginning instruction should not be in 3 foot depth
1	Open the platforms!!!! Besides the platforms the pool is really wonderful just the way it is. Isn't there anyway to allow diving in the big pool? My kids want to practice diving and enjoy it immensely. Perhaps on the deeper end 4'-6" and deeper?
1	I can see taking down the platforms as 2 of 3 are never used. Replacing them with slides may be a nice addition and use of space in that area. However, I wouldn't like to see the main well changed. I like the idea of being able to lap swim. I don't think the pool will ever appeal to teens. As a teenager you want to hop on the el and hit the beach. That's just the way it is! THEY DON'T WANT TO BE AT THE POOL!! Don't worry....they all come back. I did and my older children did. Our children need a pool! They need to use their imagination to play! Please don't turn our wonderful pool in to a water park!
1	Rehm's water was TOO cold last summer, my kids didn't even want to go in for long on hot days. It was ridiculous.
1	In regards to Rehm Pool and the building. Although improvements have been made to changing rooms, they are very inconvenient for Moms to walk across the pool. Improvements to make the Ladies room closer to the kiddie area would be ideal.
1	It would be cool to have one that is year-round like other communities. Oak Brook pool gets a lot of business from Oak Parkers in the winter.
1	Keep the 9pm closing time! At least one day per week, anyway. An hour of non-lap swim, adult swim time would be WONDERFUL, too!
1	if you add a splash pad please do not encroach upon the park in any way - including building a bathroom structure. we do not want this.
1	Please do not reduce the lanes of swimming because of large fun activities. The swim teams that use the outdoor

	pools are great feeder programs for all of the high schools in the area. It would be a shame to reduce the lanes just for large item activities.
1	As a swim family with children in the TOPS Y program, we have had children practicing early mornings at Ridgeland in the summer, and have had both children participate in sports camp with pool access at Ridgeland. Our team depends heavily on Ridgeland Commons for our annual outdoor swim meet in June and for summer practice, so we hope for continued access for these activities.
1	I would like to see plenty of lanes still available for lap swimming, in which 3 out of the 4 members of my household currently engage, and I expect as my youngest son gets a little older, he will also lap swim.
1	We are OP residents but prefer Forest Park pool because: a) zero depth and more for kids < age 5 to do in the shallows; and b) better cost structure (i.e. charge less for little kids). It would be better for OP if we had more interesting options for kids. Spray pads are boring; water slides and climbers are where its at.
1	Would like to have a pool that is enclosed for year round swimming. Enclosure could open up to the exterior in warmer months.
1	I think it's really important to have a place for parents and infants - 3 years that's somewhat sheltered from the more ebullient activities of older kids.
1	An indoor pool for off-season swimming would be nice. The YMCA pool is small and fusty and only open a few hours Friday, Saturday and Sunday for family/open swimming. The FFC club pool is the only other option I'm aware of.
1	More lap lanes Kiddie features are expensive and a lot of revenue is lost when all the kids after about age 9-10 don't have lap room
1	Instead of OPRF building a new pool facility and destroying a very new parking garage, consider the possibility of putting a air-filled/supported dome over Ridgeland pool to enable "dual-use" of an unused pool in winter months. OPRF swim teams would benefit. Costs would be dramatically lower than building a new swimming complex for the high school, and Ridgeland pool would be an asset that could be used year-round. As a tax-payer, this is the best use of funds to meet mutual goals. [REDACTED]
1	I think they are good for kids and adults that like to swim. Maybe for those without kids, have a pool bar. :)
1	Maintain configuration so that lap swimming is possible in all lanes--not disrupted by obstructions.
1	Should have combined the need for oprf pool need with the park district rennovation of ridgeland golden opportunity missed
1	do not reduce lanes available for lap swim for older patrons and swim teams. We have so little available as it is, do not cut down with large structures, like a lazy river, as it is not a priority. Keep the pool a pool, not a playground. This is not Key Lime Cove.
1	Yes. It always seems that lots of surveys are undertaken but tha Park District and Village leaders proceed to implement that which is easiest or what they deem necessary. Survey results are never shared publicly that I am aware of.
1	Looking at scheduling of family swim to a more conducive time frame for families ti actually visit the pool.
1	they both need more deck space, more chairs, etc. more fun things for older kids like slides, but also area to hang out
1	We need a 50 meter competitive pool available to our kids. Swimming is a growing sport, and we need space for our local TOPS and OPRFHS teams.
1	Do not forget they need to be able to be used for competitive swimming which can be a major source of income for the village.
1	I would like to see family swim hours in the afternoon at Rehm. I would like my kids to be able to use toys, noodles at times outside of family swim hours. I am concerned about the lack of family swim hours. I would like to see Rehm pool and/or ridgeland pool open every day until Labor Day. The proposed spay pool/park is an interesting idea but please no turf, just grass. The restroom is ok if it is cleaned and also locked at night.
1	1) it would be nice to keep lap swim going a few weeks before and after the lifeguard's summer break. It seems we could pay a few people to work a few hours as lifeguards, maybe retired folks. I might consider it. 2) we need some sort of winter opportunity. Perhaps someone could devise a removable enclosure over one of the pools that could be erected in the fall and removed in the spring. Sounds farfetched but it could be done for far less than an indoor pool. Perhaps a sprung structure or air-supported dome. That way we get much more for our investment in the pool infrastructure.
1	not crazy about most of these proposals, especially Lazy River, which would take far too much space (and expense). Stick to the basics -- a pool full of water is plenty of recreation unto itself -- and if you must add amenities, do so in ways that will not detract from, or displace, the main function of the pool. The climbing wall, to my mind, adds by far the most value while taking away the least.
1	Current water feature end of Rehm needs monitoring. The bigger kids get too excited and wild making it unsafe for small kids.

1	In need of better ways to wash off after using sand area at Rehm. Also, it would be great to have more strict guidelines for the wading pool to reserve its use for those too young to use the splash area.
1	Please don't close down Rehm pool to make changes. If you are going to make changes please make them when the pool is closed. Also, it would be great if the pool could stay open for a few weeks after Labor Day. It is often still hot and enjoyable. I would be willing to participate in swimming at my own risk.
1	The pools are good size and do not require any of the additional slides and activities however, they do need to be heated properly and have staff that can maintain ensure the rules of our facilities are being followed by the patrons. I was mortified to witness children and adults being allowed to swim in our pools in street clothes this past year and staff did not do anything to stop or correct this. There are also issues with safety when staff allows kids to run on the pool decks.
1	I do think that one of the pools should have been made as an indoor pool to support year round swim instruction and swim team sports as well as provide year-round fun for the community.
1	It would be ideal if the pools could meet needs of everyone - those who wish to use for exercise purposes(i.e. lap swimming), those who wish to simply cool off on a hot day, and those with kids who wish to be entertained (i.e. want a slide of some sort).
1	I would like more organized activities. Scheduled times that games are lead by park staff. Kids don't have much to do in the big pool and most of the time cannot have toys in the pool. This would be helpful for families with "game age" kids and smaller kids that need close supervision
1	Rehm gets full too fast and there is nowhere to sit or even put your stuff where you are still able to keep an eye on the kids.
1	There was discussion at the meeting about eliminating the baby pool for a splash pad accessible from outside the pool. Altho it might sound great, to have bathrooms and a splash pad on the other side of the park from the playground would have been a nightmare for me when my children were small. I also don't think Rehm needs a large bathroom facility and thought that idea had already been dismissed with the park renovation. I think it's nice to have an area separated for small children within the pool like the baby pool currently provides and converting to a splash pad would not offer that.
1	I did not like any of the proposed new amenities. I prefer the current pool as is. Few adults over the age of 18 would use any of those amenities, rendering it inappropriate for adults or families. Also, the changes would remove the possibility of actually swimming.
1	please do not remove lap lanes I like to swim and my kids are on swim team part of being on swim team is being able to swim in an outdoor pool
1	Please provide more options for activities for the kids such as slides, climbing wall, etc. Also, concessions need healthier food options for when families stay for several hours and would like to have a meal at the pool.
1	We need an area deep enough for kids to DIVE in (not just the diving board area, like from the side of the pool)
1	I think the most important thing is to maintain the full-size pool with full-length lanes. The main pool at each location serves everyone - it supports many groups in the community, and it meets community's recreation needs. I don't think taking up pool space or resting space with large features like a lazy river or slides is a good idea. A pool is enough fun without those structures.
1	The adult area has very little seating (and seating that isn't broken). It has no shade, no water, no anything. Give grown-ups a comfortable place to be.
1	like the idea of taking out the sand pit. Splash pad needs to be by the playground, not on the other end of the park. Bathrooms in the park have already been dismissed in master park plan meeting. Seems like the diving platform could be taken out since it's hardly used. Extra shade options shown look nice. Some of the extras look fun but seem like a large headache to monitor, like the climbing wall and crossing features. Seem like headaches for the lifeguards.
1	Please don't add any of the drop and drag options to either the Rehm or RC pools. There is no room to make either pool into a water park without destroying or limiting adult lap swimming even more profoundly than at present. With all respect, shame on you for not including an option NOT to add any of the unwanted and unnecessary gimmicks on offer in your survey. If residents wish to attend a water park, let them go to private facilities that specialize in such offerings. Please use the PDOP's application for a grant to the Illinois Park Fund to purchase land for a public, year-round, indoor, aquatics and fitness center (hereinafter A&FC), NOT to renovate Rehm. I wrote a detailed article about what should be included in such an A&FC, which is available free online at www.kopfc.com/Share/index.html or http://www.kopfc.com/Share/Howto50M.pdf . The model A&FC in that article is at the Kearns, Utah Park District. Despite having a fraction of the per capita income as in OP and RF, it offers world-class, year-round public facilities at a rock bottom price of \$215/year for an entire family and \$130 for an individual (see http://www.kopfc.com/Pages/GeneralIndexPages/Memberships.html). Kearns' rates are 10-20 times lower than at FFC, the YMCA, Loyola or Gottlieb and the PDOP, which latter charges more for its "seven Sundays of public indoor lap

swimming” on an annualized basis than FFC charges for an annual Premier Membership that includes everything. For example, according to the PDOP, you charge \$4.29 each for 7 Sunday adult indoor lap swimming sessions from March 2 through April 13, 2014 at OPRFHS from 7-8:30 a.m. That’s \$1566 on an annualized basis --- i.e., more than \$100 more than FFC. The difference is that all OPRF property tax payers have already paid for the OPRFHS pools and should be able to use them for free. Again, SHAME ON YOU for so grossly overcharging for such lousy, inadequate hours and services for indoor swimming. At least at FFC, adult patrons get free towels and can lap swim every day for many more hours throughout the day and use all their other facilities. Moreover, the Montgomery County, Maryland Park District also offers eight lavish, outstanding, public, indoor, year-round aquatics and fitness facilities comparable to those in Kearns (<http://www6.montgomerycountymd.gov/rectmpl.asp?url=/content/rec/thingstodo/aquatics/index.asp>) for a very modest annual fee. If such disparate park districts can provide such outstanding year-round aquatics and fitness services at such low cost, so can Oak Park and River Forest. It’s time the PDOP collaborated with the RF PD and OPRFHS to build such a facility. More than half of D200 residents support using some of OPRFHS’s \$150 million cash surplus to fund an A&FC. I know this because I got the advisory question on the ballot last year. The only renovation necessary at Rehm is to install functioning showers in the women’s locker room and to provide hot and cold running water in all shower stalls that flows at a decent rate and is not too hot or too cold to stand under comfortably, as it is now. The location for the A&FC could be on the same block as Rehm park (by buying up the residential properties at the south end of East Avenue and Scoville between Harvard and the south boundary of the existing PDOP property there). Alternatively, use the IL Park Grant funds application to purchase land for the A&FC across Lake Street from RC. However, I suspect it would be significantly less expensive to purchase the properties adjacent to Rehm than the properties across from RC. Extend week day early morning outdoor lap swim hours from 5 a.m. to 8 a.m. and weekend early morning lap swim hours from 6 or 7 a.m. to 10:15 a.m. With all respect, your public-access ice skating hours at RC are a joke. There are 168 hours in a week but, despite being publicly funded, the public has access to the new ice rink for ONLY 7.75 hours/week – just 4.6% of each week. None of those hours are early-morning/before work hours and none of them are adults only lap skate hours. Many adults who skate regularly for exercise do not want to share the rink with wild youngsters and teens. We need early morning lap adult skate hours (5-7 or 8 a.m.) on a daily basis to make using a rink worthwhile. To my knowledge, you have never provided daily, early morning/pre-work lap skate hours for adults only. Please do so now or serious adult skaters will continue to be relegated to in-line skating on the streets. Also, please collaborate with the River Forest Park District to offer the same “in-district” pricing for passes to your aquatics and skating facilities to River Forest residents as Oak Park residents enjoy. Please also plan for a large underground parking lot that can accommodate everyone who wishes to drive a motor vehicle to the proposed A&FC. If you really want to enable adults and seniors to use such a facility, you must make accessible parking available to them. Contrary to your remarks on 19Feb, most adults and seniors cannot or will not bike to PDOP facilities. Indeed, many seniors can’t easily walk even a block, so they never come to Rehm or RC when the lots and nearby handicapped spaces are parked up. With all respect, it’s time the PDOP and the RF PD stopped treating property taxpayers as bottomless money pits whose fitness and recreation needs you can safely ignore in favor of the needs of children and families. Singles and couples without minor children pay through the nose and get nothing in return for our tax dollars. It’s time to provide us with daily, early morning, year-round lap swimming, ice skating and other amenities. Please do so.

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| 1 | My kids have most enjoyed the wading pool and sandbox at rehm. The new structure in zero depth area last year was also great addition. I think improvements should be focused on function and upkeep...our pools are pretty fantastic already. |
| 1 | Why did the men have the bigger locker room and the brighter locker room at Rhem? last year it was changed. Will it stay changed? |
| 1 | OP pools need more life guards! We bought an FP pool pass last year braise of the construction in OP and were so impressed by the number of lifeguards and their attentiveness at the Fp pool. Much better than OP. better facility, better safety and same price for our of the village. OP would benefit from looking at their system. |
| 1 | We used to go to the pool all the time, but not so much since our kids have grown up. It would be nice to have more time for teens and adults, and not only focus on the little ones. For example, I would go more often as an adult if I knew exactly when the rest periods were. My teens might go to evening swims if it were limited to teens and scheduled a little later in the evening. |
| 1 | I don't want any of the things you are suggesting. I'd like a pool that has an area set aside for lap swimming, decent diving facilities and shade. A lazy river? Are you crazy? |
| 1 | We need space to swim, not just to play in the water. Swimming is a lifetime activity that doesn't require a team. I would hate to see the actual pool space reduced in order to try and create a water park environment that no longer encourages actual SWIMMING. |
| 1 | Maintain lap swim capacities. Consider enclosing one pool. This community has two very large pools for 12 weeks a year. It would be nice to offer programing for all ages year-round in an enclosed pool. The PD needs to think long term and not in 10 year increments. |

1	Anything that detracts from lap swimming at either pool is a net negative. In my opinion PDOP burned bridges with the aquatics community after Gary Balling's "dream big / talk talk talk" process that was followed by "sorry, can't do anything for you." Then, hockey and gymnastics get new facilities while aquatics - arguably the largest and most diverse community group - got nothing. Master plan? It seems that ship has sailed.
1	Please add adult only area. And not a tiny one. Many of us do not have children and would like a reserved area. Also it is not okay to hold birthday parties at pool sites. there should be no cake, pizza, or presents on pool site.
1	I love stand up paddle boarding (SUP) but I have to go to North beach. The pool would be a great way to do training classes or do yoga classes on the board. It applies to almost all ages. Great for fitness!
1	I am a senior citizen and love going to the pools. Sometimes the kids get a bit annoying in the big pool but I rely on the 10 minute rest break to swim in peace. It would be nice to have a mid morning and mid afternoon half hour for adults only.
1	I think Rehm Pool is fine the way it is. It's a beloved place that doesn't seem in need of enhancements.
1	BOTH MY KIDS ARE ON SWIM TEAMS THAT PRACTICE IN YOUR OUTDOOR POOLS. YOU SHOULD MAKE SURE YOU HAVE AT 8 LANES FOR LAP SWIM OR TEAM SWIM.
1	Definitely remove sand areas from pool areas. More slides ending in pools. Healthier concession options.
1	Sunset pool in Glen Ellyn has a great footprint. They took an outdated pool and expanded it to meet the needs of all residents (infants to seniors). Rehm has the land to expand the pool like Glen Ellyn did. My kids want to go to Sunset more often than their own community pools. This is wrong. We have the means to create a GREAT community pool, and we have a responsibility to do so.
1	First, limit the kiddie pools to kids 5 and under (or maybe even 4 or under). I had several times at Ridgeland when 7-8 year olds would come barreling in and knocking over little kids. Second, make the Rehm kiddie pool zero-depth entry so little ones can go in and out. Third, better guarding/policing of the activity set at Rehm (or maybe a zero-depth area where there is no equipment). Trying to enjoy the zero-depth area is hard when kids are constantly shooting the water cannon-type things (at people sitting away from the huge equipment), or when kids are running through the activity area and knocking people down and pushing smaller kids out of the way. I really think the water cannon/guns/sprayers that can be directed by the children should be removed. They are specifically used by children to annoy or antagonize others. I also think that at least 2 lifeguards should be working that area ONLY (one on each side) in order to cut down on roughhousing and injuries. Finally, I would love to see lifeguards crack down on young children who are not wearing appropriate swim diapers. Last year at Rehm, on 2 separate occasions, I saw infants/toddlers in the pool wearing regular diapers (NOT swim diapers). The rule about swim diapers should be strictly enforced - perhaps even require parents show the cashiers that they are in possession of the proper diapers. Regular diapers are not appropriate for pools, and present a health hazard (not to mention that is just disgusting).
1	some type of dome for "under shield" not necessarily indoor swim classes better locker rooms and updated sanitation procedures (re: garbage cans) & reestablish parking regulations or bigger parking lot
1	Please keep lanes available for lap use for both swim teams in Oak Park as well as all who would like to do laps.
1	Stop blowing taxpayer dollars or unnecessary crap! The pools are find with water, sun, and lifeguards.
1	There are too many umbrellas on the adult deck! We are there for sun and there is not enough room as it is. I would like to enter earlier in the morning. Also,weather permitting, to open before Memorial Day and stay open later in September.
1	How come there is not a selection "None of these features" for question 8? None of these features help to teach our children to swim and increase the liability for the village. How do you keep someone from drowning? You teach them to swim.
1	I'm not sure I support ANY of those amenities, because my concern is keeping the pools designed for lap swim, and even expanding lap swim hours. We are a large and devoted constituency, and with only one pool open for lap swim, it is sometimes extremely crowded.
1	It's fine if the sand goes away. Not really appropriate for a public pool. There are better ways to go for small kids. Don't forget the Seniors in all this too.
1	Oak Park really needs a year round pool option. It would have been great to incorporate that with the Ridgeland Common re-do in conjunction with District 200. However since Rehm is next up for a re-do a year round option would be sucessful (IMO)
1	Maintaining lap swim times, or increasing them, should be a priority, especially for the Oak Park youth swim teams and adult masters swim teams.
1	I like all the ideas, but also feel the need to preserve lap swim. Therefore, any new facilities should not reduce lap pool time. My kids are young now, but will grow up. The pool should continue to support them as they age. It is important that it is not only geared toward babies and young children.
1	I think the Diving well at Rehm could be out to better use. It's a great space, but it's underutilized and the slides could be

	changed. Also, while additional "Turf" always looks good on paper, it usually just ends up being an eyesore when trampled. Plus it's costly to maintain.
1	I think that the area at the east end of the pool with the play area in the zero-depth pool should be separated from the main tank. I like the idea of removing the sand lot. Admission prices are also a bit high. The resident swim pass should also be structured so that it's free to get \$6 admission, instead of having to pay to get that discounted price.
1	I wish there were a dedicated lap lane during other pool hours. I have belonged to other pools that have such amenities. The "safety breaks" are not enough time to get in a short lap workout, but some of us are not up to swimming for a full "lap swim" period, rendering that option not cost effective.
1	They need to be equipped for lap swimming and use by club swim teams. For example, it is really hard to lap swim in Rehm pool when one of the walls is not a complete wall in the shallow end.
1	If any new items are added to the pools, please do not reduce the amount of lap swim available. Thanks!
1	12 yrs in OP & going to the pools. Adult space = adult space - period. Have a child (college), not someone who doesn't like kids but the pool & multiple activities, adults needs our own area. No teenagers either. Have more/better seating available. Unless you arrive when pool opens, you're out of luck. Allow people to sit in the pool gutter, there are TOO MANY restrictions - yeah, I know, it's for our safety. Or is it more for the teenage lifeguard? Chill w the constant whistle blowing. Give a 16 yr old a whistle & they think they have all the power! Allow floatation devices after 1 - especially when not busy. Yes, I realize what I say doesn't matter to whomever is reading this & the never-ending rules/regs of OP will always be - period.
1	My daughter attended swimming classes in Summer 2012. The program was great. I would've visit more but prices are expensive especially when you have a family of 5.
1	I think both pools need consistent pool hours so it does not take a calender to know when there is open swim. There is not enough parking at either pool to have it be useful for all of Oak Park to use one facility at a time.
1	I hate the idea of turning our limited pool space into a water park. We NEED INDOOR SWIMMING!!!! Indoor space could be used year round and would be great for all ages. Additional "fun" items can be portable, not take up valuable real estate!!! This plan is ridiculous!!!!!!!
1	A pool is for swimming. Laps for swimming are in short supply as it is. These additional structures add liability issues to the village in addition to taking away from what the pool is meant for....learning how to swim and exercising. Being able to swim is a life skill everyone should have.
1	As you consider features, I'm sure insurance costs will come into play. Those in turn will be passed along to the users in the form of increased costs for passes. Please consider adding structures that won't increase insurance liability to keep everyone's costs down. Thx!
1	Pool time need to be preserved for basic swimming activities, i.e. lap swim, swim teams, lessons, etc. A lot of extra features also increase cost and maintainence.
1	Please do not diminish the lap swim program. I have used the pools for laps for 20 years. The 9am time slot during the week is great. As well as the early morning. Non-resident lap swim pass should be double the resident rate so it is not excessively crowded. Triathletes from other areas will pay the premium.
1	It seem Ridgeland will not have a concession stand, which is fine, but please provide picnic table area where we can eat lunch brought from home
1	When are we going to consider adding a roof to one of the pools so we can have swim and pool access all year round? This is lacking completely from the OP park district offer, and I feel that it is an area that could be improved; How about our senior citizens? we could include theraputic swim activities during the winter too. Please, do consider in your plans adding a retractable roof so, like the ice rink (only accessble to some), the pool could be used during the winter months and be accesible to everybody! Thanks!!
1	Keep the lap pool for the OPRF HS swim teams and age group Swim Teams (Team Millennium and TOPS) to be able to continue to use the facility to train.
1	If keeping the zero depth, please include a wave feature for the pools. Also include a way to block the main tank off from the zero depth as needed
1	The end of the season (mid- to late- August) gets miserably hot and pool hours suddenly get very limited. Our family is happy with the pools as they are ! So we would LOVE to see the resources you are devoting to pool equipment, instead directed toward solving this August staffing issue! OP camps are done, school is not open yet, and temps are very hot - let kids in to swim please! In our case, our family pays a lot to OP to have the kids make swimming progress in Camp Spark but we want access to daytime swim hours (not 4pm right before dinner) so they can practice what they have learned in June & July!
1	Keep the pools open longer and past Labor Day. With Oprf starting earlier and earlier in August and so much hot weather after August 1st we are not getting to use the pools when we need them most.

1	Poolside Storage so that the chairs are not used to just hold towels. Then the chairs/chaise lounges (more comfortable please) can be used for their intended purpose... to sit on.
1	We love the pools and can't wait for the summer to come. Slides would be a great addition with my children getting older. Right now there are alot of features for the young children but not as much for older children. However we don't want to lose the large swimming pool. Forest Park is fun with the slides but there isn't anywhere for the kids to really swim.
1	Rigeland pool needs to stay open until 8pm like Rehm Pool. I stay closer to Rigeland then Rehm, but I go to Rehm because of the longer hours.
1	Please make no new changes to Rehm, we like the pool the way it is. We are excited to see the new ridgeland. We would like more pool hours in August. No restroom is needed at Rehm. Please add more shade.
1	We need indoor pool space for the community to use during the winter. For a community our size, the limited options of OPRF for lap swimming and the run down YMCA are not sufficient. Also we need to ensure continued use of swimming opportunities for local swim teams at community pools during the summer (high schools, team millennium, tops, etc.)
1	we would like more pool hours in August with the pool open in the am hours until Labor Day when our kids return to preschool. Overall, we like the pools the way they are and we do not want any changes. Please spend the money on more hours. An indoor pool would be a really nice addition so that we could swim all year round. Is it possible to place a roof on Rehm?
1	1. Adult only area. 2. More lawn chairs (kids take up the chais but don't sit in them). I've been to the pool and had to leave due to no chairs to lay on. 3. Eliminate birthday parties at the pool. Too messy. Do that at your own home.
1	More lap swim hours and additional activities such as such as scuba, kayaking and stand up paddle board.
1	If the sand area stays, it really needs a better outdoor shower with it. Rehm could use a larger area of gradual depth so the younger kids aren't so crowded. Love the grassy areas and that we can bring in outside food.
1	The slides which are presented for consideration look too much like the water park idea which was presented and roundly trounced by the community almost 20 years ago. we do not need to revisit this idea