



Community of South San Francisco,

On Saturday, June 25th, the City of South San Francisco (City) and ELS Architecture and Urban Design (ELS) facilitated the third and final part of a three-part series to develop the Concept Design of the new Orange Memorial Park Aquatic Center. The community gathered at the Fernekes Building to review the Preferred Concept based on community and City staff input throughout the process. Following a brief presentation of the Preferred Concept by ELS, a large site plan of the preferred design direction was placed at tables around the room where the community gathered in groups to review the Preferred Concept in detail, and then representatives from each table, "team captains," presented their teams' findings to the attending audience.

The Orange Memorial Park Aquatic Center project is funded by Measure W and is targeting a final construction cost of \$49 million. It will be built at Orange Memorial Park and is set to include two pools. Its state-of-the-art design will meet CAL Green Building Code requirements with the goal of reducing its carbon footprint through the possibility of 100% electrification and zero gas use. The design is targeted for completion in the spring of 2023, with construction to follow; a grand opening is targeted for 2025.

The Orange Memorial Park Aquatic Center's preferred concept is an indoor & outdoor aquatic facility working to meet the wide variety of our community's needs. The building plan fits within the southeast corner of Orange Memorial Park and works to encompass the City's future ideas of an ongoing park master planning process, as well as to maintain the operation of the current Orange Pool until the new aquatic center opens for use. The center offers a 5,100sf indoor 6-Lanex25 yard lap pool, which is combined with a zero beach entry and other possible fun-water features. The lanes support a multitude of programming options such as learn-to-swim, water aerobics, water walking, lap swimming, etc. The center will also include an outdoor 25yard x 25meter pool which includes 10 lap lanes. This pool offers increased space for additional programming, swim meets, water polo, artistic swimming, and possible diving boards. The outdoor pool will be protected from the wind by three elements: 1) landscape berms that will be created from pool excavation, 2) trees that will be planted alongside and atop the berms, and 3) a windscreen of impact-resistant glass that will run atop the mound and provide a secure enclosure of the outdoor pool.

The Center's new building offers an entry lobby, indoor and outdoor locker rooms, five family changing rooms, an activity room, a large multi-purpose room, a mechanical room, offices, and pool storage. The range of activities for the activity room and multi-purpose room are still being explored. Options such as fitness and wellness equipment, classroom space, CPR instruction, swim lessons viewing area, etc., are a few of the ideas being discussed.

At Workshop #3, the City heard from the community on a range of topics. Attendance was primarily from users interested in the indoor senior aquatics activities and community members who use therapy pools outside of South San Francisco. There was limited community attendance representing learn-to-swim/family swim, Masters Swimming, and the local competitive swim teams. Further outreach efforts are working to gather comments from these user groups to add to the comments gathered at Workshop #3. Overall, the design of the new Orange Memorial Park Aquatic Center was well received by those in attendance, with further discussions requested around specific programming options, pool water temperatures, accessibility elements, and additional AWD (Athletes With Disabilities) aquatic features.

For this project's next steps, ELS and City Staff will continue to advance the programming and conceptual design effort. If you missed the Orange Memorial Park Aquatic Center Workshop #3 or would like to make additional comments, please view the preferred concept and answer additional survey questions here: https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/OMPAC_Workshop3. The Workshop #3 presentation materials and more information on the Orange Memorial Park Aquatic Center can be found at <http://ssf.net/newpool>.

We appreciate our community's readiness to attend these important workshops. Your thoughts are invaluable to this process.

Thank you,
The City of South San Francisco