
COMO POOL
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SUMMARY

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Competition Lap/Lessons

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- No lazy river. Primary concern is more lap lanes and lap swim time. I would love to have a facility where there is at least one lap lane when the pool is open (it is certainly possible as it exists at many other facilities). Lap area should be 25 yards long and available for competition.
- Lap time-25 yards or 50 m pool open at all hours for lap swimming. Competition gutters/waterflow splash area with features.
- In Minnesota we don't need shade covering. I feel like that will have things dropped off into the pool. We need a dedicated lap lane open all the time, not just for a few "inconvenient" hours.
- I am largely interested in the aquatic facility as it relates to competitive swimming. To enhance competitive swimming in the north areas of Saint Paul, a 50 m facility (relatively few in the Twin Cities) is vital. If a 50 m isn't feasible, the next best would be a 25 m pool. That was 25 yards across the opposite dimension (which may require there to be more than 6 lanes). If not a 25 m x 25 yard pool, then a 25 m pool would be best for competitive swimmers training outdoors in the summer. Were the pool to be built to support lap swimming across both the length and the width of the pool, attention would need to be paid to the sides of the pool such that walls would surround the edges so swimmers can push off of them across the entire length and width. Also one end and one side of the pool should be deep enough to allow diving from starting blocks (certain depths are required).
- I would like to see a bigger lap swimming pool. 8 lanes minimum. I would sacrifice the lazy river for a bigger pool. The pool could be used for competitions etc. Where else can you go in St. Paul for lap swimming? Highland is too crowded. I would also like to see more time for lap swimmers. I'm a lap swimmer. I swim laps in the morning before work. I would like to see more lanes. Say you expand the number of lanes to 8. There is competition for these lanes. I do not want to share lap swimming with the people who do aerobics. They should have a separate pool for aerobics. I would like to see a 50 meter pool if possible. Can you keep the little kids away from adults when lap swim? I think this pool should be for adults as well as kids...I'm frustrated with the crowding and lack of open lanes during lap swimming time. Thank you.
- Concessions-There needs to be a community meeting just on these. Prefer longer lap pool.
- Maintaining the swimming lessons capabilities is my #1 concern. I love the separate diving pools.

Teen
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- More teen oriented stuff. There is nothing for ages 11-18+ round here, it would be nice.
- Concerned on admission cost and maintenance costs. Would like a picnic area/concessions. Please consider the natural landscape to make it fit into area. As green (environmentally) friendly as possible. Pool used by teenagers. Make sure easy to bike w/o problems with traffic. Make sure tennis court has top rate surface and nets. I don't want a lazy river. I like lap swim area for adults. Sand would need to be covered.
- I love the zip line and lazy river ideas-perfect for teens. Thanks for keeping diving boards and deep water.

No Changes
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- Would prefer a neighborhood style pool that serves primarily our needs. Como Park is too busy as it is. No wave pool, no lazy river. I'm very concerned that Como Park is looking more and more like the suburbs. Yuk!
- Please-just fix up, clean up, pretty up the existing. Add a nice picnic area. Maybe enlarge pool especially lap area and add a diving area otherwise LEAVE IT! (Also more parking and shade). Why? - this park is already overburdened with people/cars in the summer - so much so that no one can really enjoy it. Too many visitors brings more crime, trash, dissatisfaction of visitors until word gets out - don't go there - it's too crowded and too dirty and not safe!! This park is St. Paul's Park - for St. Paul people. The people who really use it - consistently - should be the one's served - NOT someone from Minneapolis who might only come once a year - if that. You do not need to market this to anyone or have it "fancy" (=expensive) to serve our city and neighborhood. In fact - the plainer neighborhood type pool suits the community well - we are NOT EDINA. Please learn from Highland: it is too crowded to be useful/fun and too expensive now. I have only gone to it once since remodel. Considering this city (often called "St. Small" because it is like a small town) and the economy: Keep it simple! Stop all the architects, stop all the "fancy". Keep costs down. Repair/build it soon. Keep admission low. Serve neighborhood/city - not whole state! I can not vote for ANY - I vote for all of above. I.e., simple - model on existing but improve by adding shade, picnic, parking. Keep swim areas all close so parents can easily see kids. Keep cheap - your frequent users (lap swim, aerobics) will stop coming if too expensive. Keep for neighborhood with park goes welcome but not vital for its survival. Keep popular mushroom, keep pool for swim lessons.
- As 45 year residents of Como Park, the vision we have of the park is rather provincial. Many people take advantage of the facilities here now. The simplest solution would be our choice.

No Pool
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- I'm envisioning our Family picnic park being converted to some kind of amusement center attracting mostly outsiders who can afford the prices and excluding most of our city people who cannot. This is a negative impact on our neighborhood as well, because our weekends will be engrossed in trafficers looking for a place to park. The park itself used to cover parking so if you want to bring more people in, provide the parking.
- I have concerns on how each of these plans will cost us - financially and ecologically? Which uses more energy? How will Lexington be buffered? Sound? I would like answers on these.
- How is this going to affect my taxes and the traffic on the streets around the pool. Why not create a wonderful Green Space for all to enjoy. With all the lakes and places already in place with hotels etc, a bit of quiet would be wonderful for all!! Lets take back what we have lost - a quiet peaceful area.

Traffic

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- A 2-way on Jessamine is a good idea to keep. A one-way would be impossible - all of the school buses would be clogging up Como and Horton.
- Being open past 8:00 - not a good idea. The park needs to shut down at a decent hour out of respect to neighbors.
- Parking around rather than in lot shares allow for closer parking.
- Parking regardless of design, shuttle needs to be part of the park budget.
- Charge for parking to promote the shuttle (and offset the pool cost).
- Hours need to be considered. Neighbors overwhelmingly want more, not less, lap hours.
- How much total green space will be added/removed from the Como Park?
- I think there should be mandatory parking at the Fairgrounds and shuttle use only so the parking lots are eliminated all together. We don't need any cement and congestion in Como Park. Bike trails are a must and walking trails.
- I don't trust or believe that the new parking on Jessemine will be sufficient for all the many ballplayers. They will go into the pool parking lots. Nice work! Thank for all the work put into this. I love Como Pool!
- I think a traffic light is needed at Hamline and Horton (very busy in summer with cars, biking and walkers). Great plans - thanks for considering noise. How about a dog park in Como? Right off Bealah Lane.
- I'm concerned about increased traffic/congestion. Specifically, I'm alarmed by the expansion of parking spaces. This development should be transit-oriented (bike, bus, ped) and discourage vehicle trips. As currently proposed, this pool will add more cars to our neighborhood.

Noise
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- Pool use - party rental will be an issue to neighbors.

Miscellaneous
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- Concern about traffic. You should take into account the children's points of view. They are the main users of the pool. You have a survey with the adults so they can choose what they want, but not necessarily what would be suited for the children who swim there more frequently.
- Please consider taking this survey idea into neighboring schools for their opinions.
- 270 to the center field line will be short for adult slow pitch
- Need cool stuff for teens/tweens.
- Like concessions serving both pool and other recreational areas.
- Like separate deep and regular lap pools.
- I like the circle drop off area at entrance.
- I also like the idea of using salt water instead of chlorine - makes it friendly for all users.
- Thanks for all your hard work!
- The area between Lexington Avenue and Aquatic Facility needs to be re-treed. Many, many Oak Trees!
- Please plan for a natural swimming pool conversion.
- Think progressively about the industry and our environment. Como is a perfect fit for a natural swimming pool.
- Less parking - more shuttle - less congestion
- As much green as you can plan....restful is good.
- I want to stress the need to limit capital improvements to those elements we can pay to maintain well over time. The facility, even if it's modest, will be a great asset if we have money to clean and staff it.
- Get a wave pool! I love them, they are fun for ages 5-30, maybe even more.
- Allow for outside picnic area as alternative to concessions for families.
- Concession area to both pool and field users would be wonderful.

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- Stop light @ Midway Pkwy and Hamline?
 - St. Louis Park style layout
 - Like the spread out layout
 - Want to be able to see all pools
 - Concern about shade over the water
 - Debris in the pool/water temps
 - Like the additional shade around the pool.
 - Teen activities and senior activities
 - Zip line
 - lazy river

**No Lazy River
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- Bigger lap lanes / no lazy river
- Please do drawing with Natural Pool retro fit
- To maintain a lazy river will be a waste of money. It has created lots of maintenance with inner tubes and water pumps.
- Let's create a pool for the neighborhood.
- Don't like the road redesign.
- Keep as much shade on pool area as possible.
- Keep it simple and most cost efficient to maintain
- Keep design and construction GREEN - what is going to use the least amount of energy, have littlest impact to environment, require lowest level of maintenance. Can we use solar panels?
- No lazy river needed.
- Small footprint.
- Buffer between Woodland classroom and pool.
- Maybe a couple more options without the lazy river.
- Like the street redesign.
- Keep parking by pool limited and away from Woodland classroom. No outside operators running the pool or concessions.
- Keep the trees.
- Build state of the art stormwater management systems to keep it out of Lake Como.
- Develop an area to retrofit pool to a natural pool system
- There's been lots of angst about the Lazy River idea. Plan D has lots of support because it's the only one without a Lazy River. Lazy River is ok if footprint is small....But no tubing!

- Plan B is really appealing because of landscaping. I like picnic area in B.
- All plans should have way to accommodate natural pool.
- Remember: Capital Region Watershed District will require stormwater treatment of permit. Would like to see treatment with mixed features - example wetland!
- Lap pool with some shade!
- No massive parking lot.
- I like that the bathroom on #B can be used by Como Woodland classroom and that there is open space/trees between classroom and pool. Do not care for Lazy River and beach. Like pool #D, but not lay-out. Retrofit of Natural Pool.
- I do not like the Lazy River or parking and road that is in D.
- I do not want to see parking and road right next to the Woodland Classroom.
- I do not want a Lazy River!
- Why do all pools except one use a lazy river!!
- You need to make sure there is bike access and bike racks for neighborhood kids. (Coming from Hamline Ave).
- Lazy River is not necessary. Keep it simple with lap lanes, diving and shallow water.
- Admission is very important. My kids bike to the pool many times and use their own money for tickets.
- No Lazy River.
- Drop off away from entrance. Kids all over around there. All parking away from pool.
- No Lazy River
- No concession
- No parking near pool - allow only drop offs
- Keep it simple and scale it down.
- Please include bike trail access, preferably away from the parking lot. Also have sufficient number of bike racks. Many children and families bike to the current pool.

- Do not want a Lazy River.
- Do want Green Space in the area. Picnic area is nice.
- Keep admission as is.
- Parking along Jessamine - won't that be a problem exiting?
- I like aspects of plan A and B, but D was the only option given that didn't have a Lazy River. I don't think it's needed but you didn't give me any choices.
- Would prefer more design options without a "Lazy River"
- Don't want a "Lazy River"
- Prefer designs when parking is integrated into pool are in A
- I like the simplicity of the D features - but the orientation is not favorable to the Woodland (parking and shared restroom facility is better in B - also like "own food" picnic area). Another important point about orientation is leaving open the option for natural swimming pool filtration for a future retrofit when regulations permit this. I am in favor of other "green" features - green roof etc - that will make this facility educational and unique.
- Don't have drop off @ entry like CUB or Target - dangerous to users.
- Like entry control (like old Oxford) for security.
- Area if it rains for lessons (don't like it when they bring kids into men's locker room), perhaps an overhang area
- Will you need 24 hour night guards as old pool?
- Really liked look and general ideas like a natural pool
- Will separate pools require more guards?
- I hope Mens/Women's locker rooms will have showers with auto shutoff and at least semi private showers (not old gang style).
- Improve Como Pool - yes
- No Lazy River

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- No more rides, music or neighborhood parking.
 - Pay for pool area parking but free shuttle to encourage the shuttle use.
 - I like D because it has No Lazy River.
 - But D's parking is too close to the Woodland Classroom

Lazy River/Activities March 19, 2009

- I've been doing morning lap swim since 1979 (moved here). I will miss it this summer!! What a treasure - swim outdoors @ 7am in a park!
- Can any of your plans back off the cars 50' from entrance? Ideally, balance security with keeping cars out of sight. Berm earth like Ham U lot or like Gooseberry Park entrance.
- The lap pool separate from the kid pool is utterly genius.
- I love the zip line idea.
- Rock climbing, jump thingy totally awesome.
- Please keep the process moving to get this done.
- Prefer schemes with lap pool separate from diving.
- Prefer concessions separate and shared with ballfields
- Wonder about "rock outcroppings" being compatible with "historic WPA architectural style" of other park buildings.
- Ice skating would be nice, but isn't necessary.
- Lazy River - cool activity for the 12-18 year olds.
- Please go fast on the process. I know the Lazy River is an issue, but I think it is also a quality of life improvement.
- I really like all the interesting play pool ideas with landscaping and anorthic edges.
- I also think the perfect accompaniment to this water play area is a second pool for deep water swimming/diving, and a lap end. There's a shortage of pools with a large deep water option outside of diving zone. Deep water exercise allows for more large (muscle/motor/motion) free body movement. Faster deep water play exercise.
- Talking to many people, I have heard 95% of them say that they just want the pool fixed up. They DON'T want a big extreme, fancy, expensive pool! They want the one now to be modified. A bigger pool, deeper. Maybe a few slides and for sure a couple diving boards. Kids absolutely adore the mushroom (fountain) in the kiddie pool. Why take that away? It's so unique! Maybe add a few more activities in the kiddie pool but don't over do it and overwhelm people. Shade is another thing. Lots of people come to not only enjoy the sun, but also to lounge around in comfort and have a nice picnic or day with the

family or friends! Add some shade and/or picnic areas. Another thing....Who wants to go swimming at a pool that you can't move around in? Not me! By building a bigger more fancy pool, you draw in crowds. Yes that may be a good thing, however I have been turned off by going to places like Highland where I can't enjoy a swim because I'm fighting for space in the pool and on the deck. As Ralph Waldo Emerson said...Simplicity, Simplicity, Simplicity!!! I didn't vote because I feel none of these really ring true to what people want. Do like the zip line, cliff jumping.

- Concept A I do like the teenage area, wish this was included on Concept B. Concept B doesn't have any teen activities. Shallow water need to have more activities! Need to have larger water slides for teens and smaller for 3-6 years. Put lawn chairs in Beach Area?
- Lazy River for tubing - NO!
- Moving water feature for hydro exercise - YES!
- Ensure that parking and shuttle plan are designed to work well! Traffic management is important.
- Picnic areas that are convenient enough to use.
- Lazy River - OK
- We like the idea of having a family friendly pool that is in the city.
- Please address parking via busing!
- Keep concessions under control at night please!
- Spread parking out
- Add shade
- We use this pool often.
- Like the Lazy River
- Like the thought of water slides
- Like the concessions
- Parking looks to be addressed
- Please do no charge extra for tube rental for the Lazy River

- Please provide adequate bicycle parking
- Please rent to private parties and schools
- A playground in the zero depth would be welcomed
- Maybe sand volleyball, water volleyball and large permanent floaties (Shoreview) for older kids
- Love lily pads
- Like family slide idea
- Big umbrellas
- Like tot slide
- Rope swing is awesome
- I like the double sided concession stand and all the vegetation in B
- Wish it had a zip line
- No sand please
- Love the Lazy River in B
- Plan B - Change the pool to the other side so tots can't easily exit the grounds
- Allowing a good area for swimming lessons is a high priority.
- I like separating the diving area from swimming for better programming. It seems safer.
- I like options for parents with children of more than one age. I like good site lines between areas. I like shade wherever possible so that parents can observe children easily.
- Plan B seems best.
- Sand should be clean sand, no dust.
- Flip Lazy River and Kiddie Pool so that Kiddie Pool is in the middle

- This is a residential area, so no noisy entertainment activities are needed.
- I don't like the idea of shade over the pool-not that long of a swim season to need it. Makes sight lines for watching kids more difficult. Concern over long-term maintenance costs with a Lazy River, versus pool, but do like the idea of having activities geared to tweens and teens, not just small children.
- B-flip wading-lazy river so shallow water is next to diving deep so parent can see both young and old child.
- D-Site lines from shallow so older divers and lap swim can be viewed by parent watching child in shallow
- D-Parking in square visually superior than surround pool with a perimeter of cars visually screen cars from sight if possible - I want to see green - not cars.
- Incorporate a Lazy River and other age activities (climbing, diving, water slides) for all ages.
- On plan B more the zero entrance pool to the middle of the area rather than near the picnic area
- No water park (big water slides etc)! I like all the ideas on the wall.
- I think this should be for residents of Como and their guests. We already have so many visitors to the zoo, I don't feel we need to have people traveling far to use our pool too.
- I like the lazy river and center area for activities.
- Great designs! Fantastic job of incorporating really good ideas into all the options.
- Love the Lazy River and "cliff" concepts.
- Having the concessions serve two functions is great, also like the smaller bathhouse and outdoor lockers.
- Really like the traffic flow redesign.
- Not a fan of sand - maintenance issue (cleaning, equipment damage, etc.) Go to a Lake to play in the sand!
- Cannot wait to swim in the pool.
- The trolley/bus drop on Horton should be further east than the siting on D (safety).

Tax & Funding Concerns
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- How much will our taxes increase if/when the water park/pool is completed?
- I feel Como Park residents were not given much of an option as to what size pool we wanted. We could only try to influence the size WATER PARK we could tolerate!
- Can anyone guarantee the increased traffic congestion will not have a negative effect on our property values?
- No need for plan was available (only pool that is defunct needs repair).
- No defense of replacing old pool with new one.
- No budget, program, funding information available.
- If pool is broken - fix it - that would be great. See no need in today's economy for lavish expense.
- Is there any idea of who uses Como and its facilities. If the resident pays more in taxes why are we suffering more from the traffic.
- How does affect my taxes
- Where is the taxpayer vote? It seems like there is more say from those who don't live in the neighborhood.

Parking and/or Traffic Comments
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- Resident parking permit needed!
- Adding diagonal parking to Jessamine is a great idea, if some space can be gained from railroad right of way. Jessamine being widened with diagonal parking or both sides would add good parking for the soccer fields.
- I am concerned about traffic in the neighborhood and a big pool will make more parking issues. It should be kept small with preserving green space in the park, keeping it a park not a parking lot.
- It's difficult to consider a new pool, et., based on drawings. But overall, all of the prospective plans seem decent. Make sure you take traffic into account. Lexington during the summer is dreadful.

No Lazy River
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- I like poor element 1, but with a rock slide formation and a zero depth pool separate from it.
- I think the only two areas that shouldn't be connected are the Kiddie Pool and the main swimming area
- No Lazy River
- This design is coming together too fast.
- Certain elements have been pushed despite resident objections and survey counter indications (like the Lazy River).
- Allocation of stickers to families with children stacked the deck in voting.
- You're planning to spend more money for energy to achieve your intentions?
- Como Park, this area between Horton and Como is the front yard of the park. If you build it up and plant it up, you separate it from the people. I am very concerned - still.
- I think that the design without the lazy river still provides recreational opportunities for older kids and teens. (Zip line, lap pools, free swim time, swimming lessons) I like the somewhat smaller scale version without the lazy river element. It would be a huge improvement over the former facility with all of the amenities included.
- Like combined lap/diving configuration.
- Like zero depth pool with tunnel slide idea.
- Do not like lazy river tied to it.
- B2 without lazy river.

Other
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- Pro: Curved avenue running from Lexington
- Pro: Arched parking / drop off
- Pro: Design flow and ratio of pool to parking is better on B-2
- Pro: Retention pond feature
- Pro: Short slides for little ones. Slightly deeper zero depth pool. Add a small waterfall feature?
- Pro: Planning for pie-in-sky natural pool
- Pro: Promote shuttle use and reduce some of parking as drawn. Add more later if it's truly needed.
- Con: Spray features stuck in middle of shallow pools.
- Pro Creative treatment of play features for the young set.
- We don't like lap lanes
- Although I chose #1, 3, and 5 for the pool option. I was wondering what height of diving boards are in option #1? Also, how much more energy would the lazy river require?
- Use natural colors, stone etc (no bright plastic slides).
- Try to integrate the historic nature of park.
- Like parking on B-2
- Would like to have grassy areas within greater pool complex for shade, picnicking.
- Like zip line idea and dive platforms.
- Comment: Music day or night must include neighborhood input. This means any amped music. Also in considering night use, after 6 must contact neighbors for input.

Plan Preference March 19

- D-2 parking is nicer regardless of design
- Love B-2 Use parking design from D-2 on B-2 pool design
- I like D-2's Parking but vote for B-2's plan overall
- Parking on D-2 looks great. Three diving boards is good move (B-2)
- I like B-2 but would like more amenities for kids and the parking from D.
- I picked design B but I like the bike path in plan D. As a neighborhood resident, I am also concerned about parking and congestion but I don't know how to ameliorate this. I liked the natural pool suggestion. I would prefer a more natural looking playground as well. With 6 & 8 year old children I start to feel that all the playgrounds look the same and are merely a jumble of plastic.
- I voted for the B-2 design, however I strongly prefer the parking lot design in the D-2 design.
- I like the parking in D-2 better. What I like about B-2 is that it is "tighter", a smaller concrete footprint, but I could go either way on the lazy river.
- Prefer D-2 parking and tennis court arrangement.
- I like the parking/entrance and vehicular flow of plan D-2 combined with the water feature layout of B-2
- I like B-2 pool layout and D-2 drop-off parking and ball field layout. Can you combine those features? Question: Do we envision the lap pool ever being used for a swim team? If so length and depth should accommodate starting blocks.
- Parking from D-2 with more water design from B-2
- D-2 - great flow for traffic. Pool area of B-2 would be ideal with total layout of D-2
- Although I chose site plan B-2, I much prefer the tiered parking alignment of D-2 for its economical use of space and less surface pavement.
- I voted B-2 overall but want to add D-2 parking. Lazy river: yes. Diving: yes. Lap swim: yes.

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- Like parking in D-2 but overall preferred B-2
 - I chose B-2 but I like the parking, ball field layout and bike trail option of D-2. **Thanks for all your hard work on this project.**
 - No pirate look. Special turn lanes off Lexington. Like parking on D-2. D-2 bike path nice. Keep shuttle away from Lexington entrance - traffic hassle.
 - B-2 great overall design. D-2 parking is the best. Children's with wading pool and lazy river best over all. Without lazy river, design of child area needs to be on included lazy river plan then everyone wins.

Simple and Small, No Frills

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- I like the increased greenery over last night and the removal of the sand areas. My strong preference is for design D but with pool element #1 (combined) instead of as is. For the shallow water areas I prefer pool elements #4. I would like to see the lazy river idea dropped altogether. It adds a theme park element which Como Park is already overrun with. I would like a simple, basic pool design without the theme park aspect. I would like this to be a small footprint area for relaxation and exercise. Thanks
- Simple and small is good. There are already plenty of "Pool Playgrounds" within the St. Paul, Minneapolis and suburban area. The last thing I want is another large facility drawing nose and traffic to an already overused and traffic inundated neighborhood. Keep the park a park, not a miniature Orlando.
- Features like lazy rivers would be a draw for a short time, while basic pools would serve the public for many years.
- Don't like the lazy river, simple is better.
- Families with many children voted many times, this is unfair. I still am against this massive pool, either pool. I do not believe you listened to the neighborhood.
- Less is better.
- Lazy river not popular with the residents. Why are you pushing this? Listen to the neighbors.
- I'd like a simple pool, not every city pool has to be fancy, with slides, zero depth entry, etc. Less frills helps keep the admission more affordable for families
- I prefer simple eg. the D-2 design without the loop/river. While the latter is cute I think it will take extra supervision and therefore require extra cost. Also, please do whatever to minimize fake landscape (fake rocks) and use real materials, lots of trees. Also, please have enough lap lanes and good usage hours for us older people. **Thanks for your work.**
- I don't want a lazy river and I like the D-2 plan that excludes it. Bob Bierscheid promised last fall it would not be a water park. Lazy rivers, zip lines, climbing walls, kayaking are all water park elements. This was not task force driven decision, it's USAquatics decision. Thanks for the lie.

Positive Comments for Amenities

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- I like the lazy river and the water slide, I think the ideas are great.
- Really like parking on D-2.
Like:
 - Family slide
 - Lazy river
 - Zip line
 - 1, 2, and 3 meter boards
 - Sand element with playground
 - Playground in zero depth area
 - Water slides
 - Basketball in pool
 - Wish lazy river would go around other parts
- The older teen activities like the zip line and lazy river. The pool ideas for #1 and #5 would do very well together. And it would still include things that are little kid friendly as well. The slides in the rocks also sound fun. (Just a teen in the neighborhood)
- Please build a pool that will serve all the residents, including children.
- Lazy river okay, but even at 400' it is too long. Configured to share common edge with zero depth pool could be problem keeping young kids away from hyperactive teenagers.
Note: I do not think lazy river is appropriate, especially if it is for tubing.
- New pool - great
Concessions - great
Slides in pool - great
No: Bandshell music, already extended hours have a music venue on the lake.
Fairgrounds is already all in concrete, keep Como Park pristine.
- Love the lazy river, keep it.
- Water slides, climbing wall, lazy river, diving are great.

**Natural Pool Filter
Retention Pond
Keep the Trees
March 19**

- Pro saline pool, green technology, more buoyant, less costly. Really liked retention pond and natural filter. Really liked shared (for fields) bathrooms. D-2 best pool and parking. **Great job.**
- Storm water retention pool and room for natural filter is great.
- Save as many trees and as much open grass space as possible. Make the intersection (Jessamine/Como/Lexington) sane. Smaller, less glitzy is better.
- Please save all of the old oak and other trees in the area between Lexington and the old pool. These are irreplaceable. It sounds like the woods will be preserved and as the last wild, unmanicured area, that's very important. I'm not a fan of the lazy river. It seems to use far more space and energy. I hope the net green space is the same as present. An area deep enough to swim and dedicated lap lanes are very important to me.
- Thank you for incorporating changes to include the field for a future natural pool filtration. I still will work to help St. Paul Parks to gain a natural pool. Thank you for designing it as green as possible. I still like a pool vs. water park concept. Suits the feel of Como Park better. I disagree with using an artificial turf for the ball fields. Heat transference, harder and more expensive to mainstream, all reasons not to use this material.
- The interface between the pool area and woodland is much better in both of today's designs, in terms of the picnic area, shared restroom, parking. The storm water retention pond and filtration area for a future natural pool are great additions. Possibilities for "green" features in form and function are other pluses. The parking plan in D-2 appears particularly favorable and flexible, as well as aesthetically pleasing.
- Is the natural filtration pool still on the table? I'm for it over chemicals. How do we get to have input against the re-routing of Jessimine? Don't take away the LexHess intersection.