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A recently passed bond measure allows Amazon Pool to be restructured

By Sara Lieberth
Oregon Daily Emerald

An open public meeting discussing the conceptual design of the renovation of Amazon Pool will take place today from 7 to 9 p.m. in the Hilyard Center at 2580 Hilyard Street in Eugene.

The nine-member renovation committee includes representatives from Robertson Sherwood Architects, the architectural consulting firm selected to design the pool, and city facilities and the recreation staff have been meeting weekly since early May to develop the plan. They will present a tentative proposal for public review and comment at today's meeting.

The project is being realized

thanks to Eugene voters who passed the Parks and Open Spaces Bond Measure last November. Of this, \$4.4 million is slated for the Amazon Pool renovation project.

Eric Jones, public information director of the public works department, said the proposal "captures the key features" of the new pool and surrounding area.

"It's like putting flesh on the bones of last year's proposal," he said. "It will be a good opportunity for members of the community to look at the plans, suggest alternatives and ask questions."

The design being presented includes a new 50-meter swimming pool with diving boards, a new shallow-water multipurpose pool, a renovated beginner pool, new decks, fencing and sand play areas, a new concessions building and an addition of 75 parking spaces.

Input received at the meeting

will be considered in making amendments to the plan, and a new draft will then be publicly available this fall for further review.

Jones said it will be important to balance the differing needs and perspectives on what specifically will be included in the plan, such as those who favor recreational swimming facilities over competitive ones, and vice versa.

"After this meeting, we'll go back to the drawing board, literally," Jones said, "and come back in the fall to finalize it."

When a community-approved conceptual design is complete, the city will then receive contractor's bids in the early spring of 2000. Construction is scheduled to begin in August of next year, which will only minimally curtail the summer swim season for public use and the grand opening of the new, improved facility is slated for July, 2001.

Language

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"This is also a great bilingual experience for my son," Malcolm said. "He's at the age when he's just soaking it up."

Elijah already knows a few Spanish words and is looking forward to learning even more.

In addition, he's "excited about eating Mexican food, swimming, seeing the mummies and meeting new people," Malcolm said.

According to Easton, Mexican culture offers a wonderful experience for children.

"It's such a child-centered culture," she said.

Having parents in their program also help the other

American student learn how other cultures parent, she added.

The main difference between single students who participate in the program and student parents, is the housing arrangements. Lone students usually get to live with a host family, which is considered one of the most rewarding aspects of the program. With a child though, that experience is almost impossible, Easton said.

Though Malcolm's housing assignment is yet to be assigned, Easton is optimistic the program will find the trio an apartment attached to a family home so the family-interaction experience is not lost.

Negotiations

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GTFF's health-care provider.

The composite plan that the GTFF is now fighting for asks for full coverage of each GTF and spouses and dependents.

This is \$1 million more than the University is offering.

When the GTFF included wages in its July 9 proposal, it took the University by surprise.

The last overall University accreditation study, conducted two years ago, found GTF's salaries well much less than what the University and the GTFF would like them to be. Because of this, Friestad feels it's "inappropriate to make a deal that ties the hands of both the GTFF and the University about salaries."

There are seven weeks until the Sep. 15 deadline given by ODS to

the "GTFF union to reach an agreement with the University to arrive at a contribution to make to the insurance plan," Dharmarajah said.

"At some level, in the course of 7 weeks, if people of good faith were meeting frequently, we could resolve this," Friestad said.

She added that because of prior commitments the two parties are forced to have infrequent meetings. The University, therefore, is hoping to wait until the fall to further discuss coverage of GTFF health insurance in relation to wages.

To the GTFF, however, fall term is too late.

If members of the federation go from having 100-percent contribution to 80-percent contribution, some single GTFs and those with families wouldn't be able to afford

CORRECTION

The July 13 article "Debate on plan healthy" should have read:
"Twelve percent of enrollees account for 80 percent of the cost."
"It costs \$282.72 per quarter to cover a single GTF..."
The Emerald regrets the errors.

to continue being students, Pendleton said.

But the University has a finite amount of money to spend on the GTFs, Friestad said, and it can't do anything about its limited budget.

The amount that the Legislature will contribute to the Oregon University System next biennium, is unavailable. Friestad said it will be nowhere near the \$116 million OUS originally asked for.

Museum of Art Renovation and Addition

and

Gilbert Hall Additions and Alterations**Schematic Designs****Public Comment Session**

The University of Oregon and its architectural consultants have begun the schematic designs of the Museum of Art and Gilbert Hall renovations and additions.

Members of the community are invited to review and comment on the design concepts.

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