

The next item discussed was regarding **Item A - Lake Front Park Splash Pad Improvement Project**.

Motion by Vaughn, seconded by Granger that the Committee-of-the-Whole receive and place on file the document pertaining to the mayor's survey taken at the various splash pads of the other Grosse Pointe communities.

Motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: Brown, Bryant, Gafa, Granger, Koester, McConaghy, Vaughn
No: None
Absent: None

Mayor Bryant presented his findings of his survey and stated that the usage is not as utilized as it may seem. However, his survey was only a snapshot of particular times and days of activities at the various splash pads.

City Administrator Schulte provided an overview of the Splash Pad project. He stated that multiple concepts have been considered and converting the mushroom pool using the same filtration system was most cost effective, since it was discovered that the liner needed to be replaced. AEW provided a quote of \$750,000.00 to move the splash pad and start from scratch. The conversion of the mushroom pool was estimated to cost approximately \$241,000.00 with option 1 through splash pad vendor Vortex.

Another option would be to use a flow through water method which uses fresh water from a watermain, however, this is an expensive option that costs another community approximately \$40,000.00 per year to run their splash pad.

The Committee considered the possibility of opening the splash pad early in the season and remain open later in the season. Discussion ensued regarding the possibility of using the splash pad once the main pool closes. The ability to use the filtration system for the splash pad while the main pool is not in use needs to be determined. Michigan laws and liability issues need to be addressed. City Administrator Schulte stated the splash pad can be opened a month earlier.

Other topics discussed was regarding accessing the splash pad when main pool is closed, fencing off the splash pad, additional seating, tents to remain up, and the use of concrete for flooring.

There was a consensus of the Committee-of-the-Whole to move this item to the next City Council meeting for approval.