

TO: Parks and Recreation Commission
FROM: Chuck Denney, Parks and Recreation Director
DATE: June 15, 2022
SUBJECT: Regional Aquatics Facility Study

1) Recommended Action:

Discussion Item

2) Background:

Beginning in 2020, the City of Tumwater partnered with the City of Olympia to conduct a feasibility study on a regional aquatics complex. Both the City of Tumwater and the City of Olympia have seen the need for an aquatics facility rate very high in community surveys for over 20 years. The City of Olympia allocated \$100,000 to their Park, Arts and Recreation Department to hire a consultant and work with community partners on the completion of the study.

Two regional surveys were conducted as well as multiple meetings with stakeholders from local school districts/colleges/universities, user groups, non-profits, and interested citizens. Due to COVID-19 and closures, the study was extended well past the original completion date and the final documents were submitted late in 2021.

3) Alternatives:

Discussion Item – Staff will be presenting project information, facility options, costs, and potential future actions.

4) Attachments:

A. Initial Survey Results