

NORMAN FORWARD

Parks and Recreation Master Plan Indoor Aquatic Facility Options

- Aquatic Section Recommendations
 - Scenarios to replace Westwood Pool received very high priority – discussed with City Council on April 7, 2015
 - Scenarios for indoor aquatic facility received high priority
- Master Plan identifies need for indoor pool
- Plan considers two scenarios
 - Attach to new recreation center (Ruby Grant)
 - Develop as expansion of existing YMCA

Norman Forward Aquatic Center

- **TWO POOL COMPLEX**
- Competitive pool – 50 meters by 25 yards
- Teaching/Aerobic/Rec pool – Approx. 25 meters by 25 yards
- **COST**
- Construction - \$12 million
- Operation - \$750,000 annually
- **PARTNERS ANNUAL CONTRIBUTION - \$750,000**
- YMCA - \$400,000 (\$200,000 revenue, \$200,000 present deficit)
- NPS - \$50,000
- Sooner Swim Club - \$50,000
- Norman Regional Hospital - \$50,000
- Swim Meet Revenue - \$25,000
- City of Norman - \$175,000 (10-15 years funded from bond)

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- **GROUPS BENEFITED – ALL NORMAN RESIDENTS**
- 900 people per day presently served by the YMCA
- Children – 0-6 years
 - Swimming lessons and water safety provided by the YMCA
- Children - 6-18 years -Competitive, fitness and recreational swimming provided by:
 - YMCA
 - Sooner Swim Club
 - Norman Public Schools
- Adults – 19-99 years - Competitive, fitness, recreational swimming, water aerobics, injury rehabilitation, water polo, scuba diving provided by:
 - YMCA
 - Sooner Swim Club
 - Norman Regional Hospital
- Local Businesses – **economic impact** visitors attending daily programming and weekend competitions. \$208,000 (56.5 overnight + 151.5 day trip) per meet. 5 meets a year over \$1,000,000. Provided by Norman Visitors Bureau.
- University of Oklahoma and Local Realtors – Facility and amenities will help draw faculty and new residents to Norman

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Support from Community Leaders

- *I look forward to the community's consideration of the projects outlined in the Norman Forward initiative. I believe many of these projects will serve the students of our community in a variety of ways. The aquatics center is one project that will help meet the needs of what already is a quality and state-wide recognized swim program at both Norman High and Norman North High Schools. These talented student athletes will only thrive given the opportunity to compete in this quality facility. I appreciate the work of the City Council and those community leaders striving to provide greater opportunities for the children in our community.*

Dr. Joe Siano, Norman Public Schools

- *An Aquatic facility would make Norman well-rounded and help to keep & pull business here. Prospective Residents that compare Norman to nearby towns would see this as another feather in our cap and show that we are serious about improving our quality of life.*

Mark McCurdy, Don Cies Real Estate

- *That the OSSAA needs a third quality venue to host Regional and State Championship competitions and would use Norman facility to host those meets. Providing an opportunity for high school students to participate in swimming is not only of benefit to the student athlete while they are in school, but it also provides an opportunity for these young adults to engage in a life-time sport benefiting them as adults as well. The communities that have supported that idea and built Aquatic Centers for use by these school programs alongside other groups have also seen a tremendous rejuvenation in their communities.*

Amy Cassell, OSSAA





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- Three scenarios considered
 1. Status Quo – upgrade and modernize existing facilities at 12th Ave, Whittier and Irving
 2. Develop new state-of-the-art center (Ruby Grant)
 3. Assist YMCA/other non-profit in developing facility
- Master Plan suggests combination of approaches which could include new facility at Ruby Grant Park, renovation of 12th Ave. Rec Center and partnership with YMCA/other non-profit

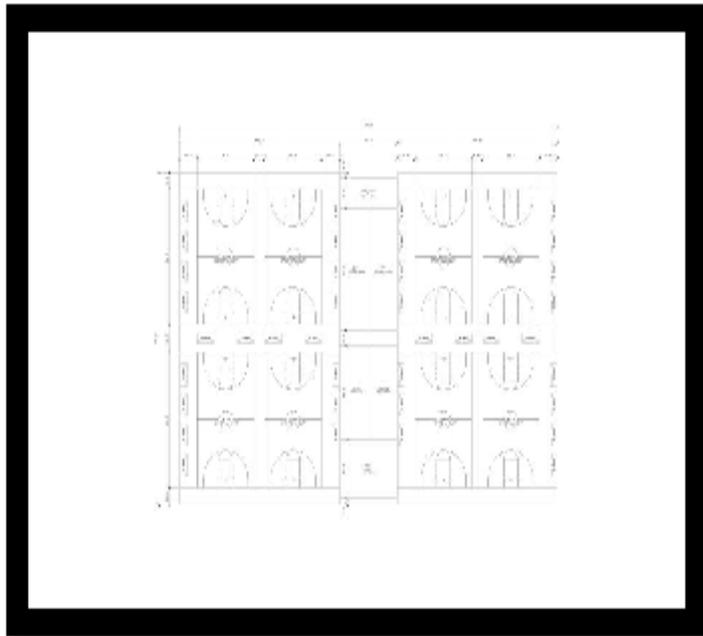
Norman Recreation Center & Indoor Sports Facility

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What an \$8.5 million Indoor Recreational Facility would look like

Court Layout Example



Proposed Detail

- ▶ 8 full size courts which could convert to 16 youth size courts.
- ▶ Designated spectator areas with easy access and flow of movement.
- ▶ Concession and lobby areas.
- ▶ Meeting and storage space.

Farha Center in Wichita Kansas



Fieldhouse USA in Dallas, TX



Utilization of Indoor Recreation Center

- ▶ **Tournament Play:** We now have the ability to host regional basketball, volleyball, gymnastics, wrestling, and other sport tournaments.
- ▶ **League Play:** The facility would allow Optimist, Norman Parks and Rec and Norman YMCA to create cohesive relationships on sports programming.
- ▶ **Public Access:** General Public Access would be available with scheduling through the managing entity.

Types of sports and events this facility could accommodate:

Basketball

Volleyball

Pickle-Ball

Chess Tournaments

Bad Minton

Wrestling

Cheer

Martial Arts



Thank you.