

Introduced by _____ Council Bill No. R 216-07

A RESOLUTION

declaring the necessity for construction of a water slide at the Oakland Family Aquatic Center; stating the nature of and the estimate of the cost thereof; providing for payment for the improvement; providing for compliance with the prevailing wage law; and setting a public hearing.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBIA, MISSOURI, AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. The City Council deems that the construction of a water slide at the Oakland Family Aquatic Center, is necessary to the welfare and improvement of the City.

SECTION 2. The nature and scope of the improvement shall consist of furnishing all labor, materials, transportation, insurance and all other items, accessories and incidentals thereto necessary for the complete construction of the improvements.

SECTION 3. The estimated cost of this improvement is \$150,000.00.

SECTION 4. Payment for this improvement shall be made from Park Sales Tax Funds, and such other funds as may be lawfully appropriated.

SECTION 5. Any work done in connection with the construction of the improvement specified above shall be in compliance with the provisions of the prevailing wage laws of the State of Missouri.

SECTION 6. This resolution shall be published in a daily newspaper of general circulation in the City of Columbia for seven (7) consecutive insertions, and a public hearing in respect to this improvement will be held in the Council Chamber of the Daniel Boone Building, 701 E. Broadway, Columbia, Missouri, at 7:00 p.m. on October 15, 2007.

ADOPTED this _____ day of _____, 2007.

ATTEST:


City Clerk

Mayor and Presiding Officer

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

City Counselor

Source

TO: City Council
FROM: City Manager and Staff 
DATE: September 23, 2007
RE: Oakland Family Aquatic Center Water Slide

Mike Hood



Fiscal Impact

YES x

NO

Other Info.

Summary: The City of Columbia's fiscal year 2008 budget includes an appropriation of \$150,000 for the addition of a water slide at Oakland Family Aquatic Center (OFAC). Funding for this program comes from the Park Sales Tax. This water slide was identified as part of the original OFAC improvements in 1999, but was omitted due to limited financial resources. The project will be bid through the purchasing department and will be installed with contract labor. It is anticipated that work will begin this winter and completed in time for the 2008 swim season.

Project Description:

In 1998-99, the Oakland Family Aquatic Center (OFAC) underwent a major renovation of the pool shell, mechanical room, plumbing and the creation of a new water play area designed for children ages 12 and under. This project also included the City's first construction project to feature site specific art as the result of the Percent for Art program. The entire budget for this renovation was \$818,000. Part of the bids included an alternate for a large water slide which was not accepted due to limited financial resources. While funding for the water slide was not available, the site was designed to accommodate a future water slide. In November 2005, Proposition One, also known as the Park Sales Tax, included \$150,000 for the addition of a water slide at Oakland Park.

Some studies conducted by professional trade associations such as the World Water Park Association and Aquatics International, indicate that a water slide addition to a typical parks and recreation pool, generally has an annual return of investment of 20%-30%, thus paying off the water slide in 3-5 years.

It is anticipated that the project will be bid through the purchasing department and will be installed with contract labor. If funding allows, the slide will consist of a deck tower with two slides: one for elementary-to-middle school aged children and the other for teenagers to adult.

The bidding process will be conducted this fall, with construction expected to begin during the winter and conclude in time for the 2008 swim season.

Recommended Council Action: If the Council concurs that the project should proceed, the resolution calling for the public hearing should be approved, and following the public hearing, the ordinance authorizing the projects should be adopted.