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REPORT OF GENERAL MANAGER

NO. 08-118

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BOARD OF RECREATION  
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SUBJECT: AQUATICS SECTION- AMENDMENT TO THE SCHEDULE OF RATES AND FEES

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RECOMMENDATION:

That the Board:

1. Approve an amendment to the Aquatics Section of the Department's Schedule of Rates and Fees, as outlined in the body of this report and the attached schedule, effective upon approval by the Board; and,
2. Authorize staff to amend the Aquatics Section of the Schedule of Rates and Fees to incorporate these changes.

SUMMARY:

The mission of the Aquatics Section of the Department of Recreation and Parks (RAP) is to provide safe, clean, and well-programmed aquatic facilities for the use and enjoyment of the residents of Los Angeles. The Department has reviewed the costs of operating the Aquatics programs and finds that in order to continue to provide quality programming, it will be necessary to increase rates and fees. Cost increases can be attributed to the increased repairs of an aging infrastructure and higher prices for materials, chemicals, and labor.

RAP staff conducted a survey of the aquatic rates in the neighboring cities of Long Beach, Pasadena, Santa Clarita, and Santa Monica, to determine a reasonable increase in fees for pool admission and various activities. The survey resulted in proposed rates for City of Los Angeles pools which are competitive with those of other cities.

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Following is a summary of the proposed changes for recreational swim, lap swimming, and swim lessons which are major components of the Aquatics program. Specific changes as well as revisions to other fees are detailed in the attached Aquatics Schedule of Rates and Fees.

Pool Admission (All Pools) and Permit Charges

	<b>RAP Current</b>	<b>RAP Proposed</b>	<b>Other Municipalities</b>
<b>Pool Admission</b>			
Adult without Library Card	\$1.50	\$2.50	\$2.00 - \$5.00
Adult with Library Card	Free	\$2.00	
<b>Lap Swim Prepaid Passes</b>			
Adult	\$30.00 for 25 admissions	\$55.00 for 30 admissions	\$40.00 to \$80.00 for 25 admissions
<b>Group Swim Lessons (series of 10 lessons)</b>			
Adult	\$20.50 - \$25.50 for 10 30-minute classes	\$40.00 - \$50.00 for 10 30-minute classes	\$40.00 - \$110.00 for 10 30-minute classes
Youth	\$6.00 - \$20.50 for 10 30-minute classes	\$20.00 - \$40.00 for 10 30-minute classes	\$40.00 - \$110.00 for 10 30-minute classes

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

Additional revenue of \$395,000 is expected to be generated with the proposed new pool admission fees and other program charges. There will also be a minimal increase in the allocation to the Pool MRP Fund to replace pool equipment and cover the pools' maintenance expenses.

This report was prepared by Noel Williams, Chief Management Analyst, Finance-Budget Section.

AQUATICS  
(Revised 08/06- 05/08)

**PUBLIC USE**

(Pool Normally Scheduled to be Open)

Facility use fees only. No additional staff charges included.

**POOL ADMISSIONS (All Pools)**

Adult <b>without Library Card</b>	<del>\$1.50</del> <b>\$2.50</b> ( <i>\$0.15 to be deposited into MRP subaccount 1706*</i> )
<b>Adult with Library Card</b>	<b>\$2.00</b> ( <i>\$0.15 to be deposited into MRP</i> )
Youth	No Charge
Senior Citizens and persons with disabilities	No Charge

\* ~~MRP, subaccount 1706~~ funds the pool's normal replacement program.

**LAP SWIMMING PREPAID PASSES**

Adult	<del>\$30.00 for 25 admissions</del> <b>\$55.00 for 30 admissions</b> ( <del>\$3.00</del> <i>\$4.00 to be deposited into MRP</i> ) <del>-sub account 1706</del> )
Youth	No Charge
Senior Citizens and persons with disabilities	No Charge

**PROGRAM CHARGES**

Group Swimming Lessons:

Non-Urban Impact Centers:

Adult	<del>\$25.50/series</del> <b>\$50.00/series</b> ( <del>\$.50</del> <i>\$1.00 of each series to be deposited into Pool MRP account</i> ); <del>\$.50 to MRP, sub account 1706</del> )
Youth (Ages 4-6 must be accompanied by an adult)	<del>\$20.50/series</del> <b>\$40.00/series</b> ( <del>\$0.50</del> <i>\$1.00 of each series to be deposited into Pool MRP account</i> ); <del>\$.50 to MRP, sub account 1706</del> )

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Urban Impact Centers:

Adult

~~\$20.50/series~~ **\$40.00/series** (~~\$0.50~~ **\$1.00** of each series to be deposited into Pool MRP account); ~~\$.50 to MRP, sub-account 1706~~)

Youth

~~\$6.00/series~~ **\$20.00/series** (~~\$0.50~~ **\$1.00** of each service to be deposited in Pool MRP account); ~~\$.50 to MRP, sub-account 1706~~)

Day Camp - L.A. City

~~\$0.50/person/lesson~~ (~~\$0.15 to MRP~~), ~~sub-account 1706~~)

Effective October 2005

Junior Lifeguard Program, L.A. City Competitive Team Sports, and Lifeguard Training Classes

Participation fees based on actual cost of program materials (100% deposited to pool MRP for cost of materials associated with the program/class).

Water Safety Presentations for Recreation Center

No charge

DAY CAMP USE

L.A. City Recreation Center Day Camp

No Charge

Non-Profit Day Camp

~~\$0.75/person~~ **\$1.00/person**

Private Day Camps

~~\$1.00/person~~ **\$2.00/person**

PRIVATE USE (Pool Normally Closed)  
(Pool closed to the public)

In addition to ~~Facility Use Fees~~ **permit charges** for use of the facility when the pools are normally closed to the public, staff fees for required lifeguards **lifeguard ratio** apply. The required number of lifeguards mandated by Title 24 is outlined below. Educational groups may utilize their Title 24 certified instructors to partially meet the lifeguard requirement, provided the instructor is on deck at all times, with the approval of the Aquatic Director.

1 - 50 persons	2 lifeguards
<del>50</del> <b>51</b> - 100 persons	3 lifeguards
101 - 200 persons	4 lifeguards
201 - 300 persons	6 lifeguards

~~Additional~~ **Other Staff Fees**

At the discretion of the Aquatics Director, some events or activities may require additional maintenance, security, and/or event monitoring staff, depending on the size of the groups, scope of activities, or other factors. Part-time staff fees are established in the General Information section, and are to be deposited to the facility MRP. Full-time staff fees will be charged at the

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current overtime rate. **A fee for maintenance materials and usage of facility equipment may be assessed based on permit group attendance and facility usage.**

EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTION/DAY CAMP USE

L.A. City Recreation Center Day Camps

1 – 50 persons	\$12.50/hour
<del>50</del> 51 – 100 persons	\$24.00/hour
101 – 200 persons	\$48.00/hour
201 – 300 persons	\$72.00/hour

**Additional Fees:**

Day Camp usage by groups of 175 or more during a pool normally scheduled open hours, which restrict public usage and require the pool manager to extend the pool open hours to the public, will include an additional fee of \$55.00/hour (*to be deposited into MRP account*) to pay for additional pool staff (i.e. Pool Manager, Pool Clerk, Locker Attendant) required for **exclusive use of a pool facility when closed to the public.**

Private Day Camp Use

See Private Exclusive Use Rates under PERMIT CHARGES.

(General Pool Admission fees shall be charged when pool is ~~normally scheduled to be opened~~ **open to the public.**)

Board of Education/Community College Facility Use Fee

Classes/Team practices (2 hour minimum)		
Parties (1 hour minimum)		
1 - 50 persons	<del>\$12.00/hour</del>	<b>\$20.00/hour</b>
51 – 100 persons	<del>\$24.00/hour</del>	<b>\$40.00/hour</b>
Swim Meets		
<b>(including setup and cleanup time 3 hour minimum)</b>	<del>\$35.00/hour</del>	<b>\$55.00/hour</b>

Private Educational Institution Facility Use Fee

Classes/Team Practices (2 hour minimum)		
1 - 50 persons	<del>\$20.00/hour</del>	<b>\$30.00/hour</b>
51 – 100 persons	<del>\$40.00/hour</del>	<b>\$50.00/hour</b>
Swim Meets (3 hour minimum)	<del>\$35.00/hour</del>	<b>\$55.00/hour</b>

PERMIT CHARGES

Closed to Public

	<u>Urban Impact</u>	<u>Non-Urban Impact</u>
1 - 50 persons	<del>\$30.00</del> <b>\$40.00/hour</b>	<del>\$40.00</del> <b>\$50.00/hour</b>
51 – 100 persons	<del>\$70.00</del> <b>\$85.00/hour</b>	<del>\$80.00</del> <b>\$95.00/hour</b>
101 – 200 persons	<del>\$150.00</del> <b>\$170.00/hour</b>	<del>\$160.00</del> <b>\$180.00/hour</b>
201 – 300 persons	<del>\$230.00</del> <b>\$250.00/hour</b>	<del>\$240.00</del> <b>\$260.00/hour</b>

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Training Group Pool Use (long and short courses)

Maximum use per lane: 7 adults or 9 youths

Prices apply to all long and short course training permit groups.

No group or groups shall be issued a permit to utilize more than 50% of the total lap lanes available during normal operating hours.

Pool Open

Youth (7-17 years) ~~\$0.75~~ **\$1.00/person/day** (\$0.15 to MRP *sub account 1706*) plus \$0.50/hour/lane

Adult (18 & older) ~~\$1.50~~ **\$2.00/person/day** (\$0.15 to MRP *sub account 1706*) plus \$1.25/hour/lane

Minimum fee of ~~\$15.00~~ **\$20.00/hour**

20% discount group rate on 25 admissions (**\$2.00 to MRP**)

Pool Closed (7 years or older) ~~\$22.50~~ **\$30.00/hour**

Swim Meets (includes set-up and take-down) ~~\$35.00~~ **\$55.00/hour**

Timing System

Rental ~~\$25.00~~ **\$50.00 to be deposited to facility MRP**  
Official (Minimum of 2 hours) Current Part-Time rate per GENERAL INFORMATION PAGE

Scuba Group Pool Use

(Minimum ~~15/person/group~~ **15 persons/group**) 3 Hour Session  
~~\$14.00/hour~~ **\$20.00/hour**  
Current Part-Time rate per GENERAL INFORMATION PAGE (3 hour minimum)

Motion Picture Company Use

Motion Picture companies will be required to ~~contract~~ **contact** the Department's Film office (323-644-6220). The facility use fee ~~for exclusive use,~~ **when the pool is closed to the public,** shall apply to filming as well as the Non-urban Impact rate, regardless of the location of the pool. Filming use may also require paying a pool fill fee (if the pool is empty), operational costs (equipment and utility charges), and an appropriate staff salary for monitoring.

Equipment Rental (100% into aquatic facility MRP)

	Rental
Accessories (kickboards, pull buoy's, rescue equipment)	\$25.00
Custom Safety Line	\$25.00
Starting Blocks (set)	\$250.00
Timing System	\$500.00 plus monitor
Water Polo Shot Clock	\$100.00 plus monitor
Water Polo Goals	\$100.00 plus setup
Synchro. Sound System/PA System	\$200.00 plus monitor
Lane Lines	\$200.00 per set plus set up



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that take ~~precedent~~ **precedence** over existing permit groups or the Aquatic staff may have a program that is desired by the community. The Recreation and Aquatic staff will make a concerted effort to program the swimming pool and issue permits to outside groups to best serve the community. ~~The Recreation and Aquatic staff will make a concerted effort to program the swimming pool and issue permits to outside groups to best serve the community.~~