

Heather Farm Aquatic and Community Center

Project Assumptions and Principles

Approved by Walnut Creek City Council on September 19,2023

1. Process:

- a) Input on the facility design will be balanced, taking feedback from the stakeholders, community-at-large, commissions and City Council
- b) City Council will provide final decision-making authority over the design of the facility
- c) The [Conceptual Site Plan](#) located at the existing community center site, and associated building program accepted by Council in February 2023 will serve as the foundation for the new facility design
- d) Recommendations will be realistic, implementable and budget conscious (considering both capital and operational budget)
- e) The facility is anticipated to open in summer 2027, the existing community center is scheduled to close by December 2024 and Clarke Swim Center is intended to remain open until the new facility is open
- f) There may be impacts to existing community events during construction of the new facility

2. Building:

- a) The new combined aquatic/community center is assumed to be an all-electric facility (to be confirmed after the sustainability workshop/charette)
- b) The building is assumed to be 1-story; between 25,000-27,000 sf including the pool mechanical equipment space.
- c) Existing interior community center and aquatics activities and supporting functions can be accommodated in the new facility

3. Pools and Pool Deck:

- a) The new facility will include two pools: a 50m lap pool and a recreational pool
- b) Existing aquatic events will continue to be supported in the new pools, on the pool deck, and beyond the fencing and into the adjacent park area.
- c) Existing aquatic activities can be accommodated in the new facility

4. Adjacent Pond and All Abilities Playground

- a) A portion of the pond will be repurposed for the design of the new facility
- b) The all abilities playground will remain in place