

Agenda Item: 15.A

Date of Meeting: June 9, 2025 Department: Community Services

STAFF REPORT

To: City Council
From: Dan McElroy

Subject: Request to Waive Specific Bishop City Park Pool Fees for 2025

Prepared On: May 19, 2025

Background/History:

The City of Bishop Park Pool has been a summertime hub for the community for many years. While preparing for the 2025 season, it has come to staff's attention that there was no fee for children under the age of 3. Past practice for the Bishop Park Pool was to not charge for this item if accompanied by a paying adult. After reviewing this item, it was noticed that no-charge for children under 3 was not accounted for in the 2025 City of Bishop Fees and Charges.

The 4th of July Big Day in the Park celebration has historically been accompanied with a public free swim day at the City Park pool. The event has typically been well attended by our community members and visitors.

Analysis/Discussion:

At the age of 3, children of this age typically cannot swim and require adult contact. The Bishop City Park Pool past practice was to take the fee for an adult and let the child under 3 in for free. The Bishop Park Pool staff would recommend continuing this practice as it is a benefit to the community. The Community Services Department will plan to have the children under 3 at no charge if accompanied by a paying adult accounted for in the 2026 City of Bishop Fees and Charges.

The request has only been made for the 4th of July event each year. It shows appreciation to our community as we come together to celebrate.

Economic Impacts:

Hosting the 4th of July Big Day in the Park and allowing children under the age of 3 free if accompanied by a paying adult allows visitors and community members to frequent local businesses as the Bishop City Park is centrally located.

Budget Impacts:

There are minimal budget impacts. The City of Bishop Park Pool has operated in the past

without collecting the children under 3 fees. There are minimal budget impacts for the Big Day in the Park July 4th as the financial expense will cover staffing costs.

Legal Review:

City Attorney Pucci has reviewed this item and finds that the recommended action complies with the law.

Recommended Action:

Council consideration to approve waiving pool fees for children under the age of 3 if accompanied by a paying adult for the 2025 season, and approve waiving pool fees for the City of Bishop Big Day in the Park on July 4, 2025.

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