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Mr. Schmitt,

As you are aware, City Council will be discussing extending the 2009 aquatics season at it's May 21 City Council meeting. The meeting will be held in the CSB Community Room located at 150 N. Third Street. Below please find responses to the question you ask City Council in an email sent to them earlier today.

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-----Original Message-----

From: Bob Schmitt [<mailto:bsbrbank@pacbell.net>]

Sent: Tuesday, May 19, 2009 9:42 AM

To: City Council

Cc: Daste, Chris

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Dear Mayor and Council Members -

I'm attaching a letter that I will deliver to you tonight and use for comments during the meeting. This letter asks the following questions:

1. Why isn't McCambridge pool open now?

The repairs at McCambridge pool were completed ahead of schedule and the pool was turned over the PRCS Department on May 14. PW staff is monitoring the ph balance of the water and adjusting chemicals as necessary...In addition, the City currently does not have the adequate number of certified lifeguards. Aquatics staff training began on May 16 and will continue over the next two weekends. Most of the staff are high school students and attend school weekdays. On May 31, staff will receive CPR and First Aid training. Additional in-water training will occur the first two weeks in June.

2. The City Council - School District MOU on high school pool use is done, but why is there no use by swimmers until June 15.

The City's use of the District's pool are based on the District's academic

calendar and availability. June 15 is the earliest day the City has access to the pool with fully training staff.

3. Why is McCambridge under-utilized?

McCambridge pool is being utilized in proportion with the available funding and staff availability.

4. Why aren't adults scheduled at McCambridge?

The depth of the District pools prohibit lower level learn-to-swim classes. The District has also limited their facilities to classes, swim team and lap swim. Recreation swim is not allowed at District pools, again due to the depth of their facilities. Therefore, McCambridge is being utilized/programmed as the primary facility for lower-level classes and recreation swim.

5. Why are lap swimmers paying more?

The fees associated with the swimming pools have not changed since 2003. Although the daily user fee for lap swim is \$1 more than other activities, lap swimmers have the option of purchasing monthly or 12-visit passes, which are significantly less expensive than other activities. A monthly pass is \$45 and the 12-visit pass is \$30. These passes are not available for other activities.

6. What is the status of the City Council "Year Around" pool opening goal?

City Council will be discussing extending the 2009 aquatics season at its May 21 City Council meeting. Further discussions on a year-round program will be discussed when staff presents the aquatic renovation analysis and master plan report to City Council in June.

and finally:

"Who is responsible for keeping the pools closed?"

Thanks for your consideration.

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