

Norman Forward
Indoor Aquatic and Multi-Sport Facility
Ad Hoc Advisory Group
January 29, 2024

The Norman Forward Indoor Aquatic and Multi-Sports Facility Ad Hoc Advisory Group of the City of Norman, Cleveland County, State of Oklahoma, met on the 29th day of January 2024 at 4:03 p.m., and notice and agenda of the meeting were posted at 201 West Gray Street, 48 hours prior to the beginning of the meeting.

ROLL CALL

Present:	Chair Hurley and Members McDaniel, Migliorino, Splitt, Vinyard, and Yoch and Ex-Officios Brockus and Sheriff
Absent:	Member Tramel
Tardy:	Member Nicholson
City Officials Present:	Jason Olsen, Director of Parks and Recreation Josh Holman, Recreation Supervisor Karla Sitton, Admin Technician IV

ITEM 1, being:

APPROVAL OF THE DECEMBER 18, 2023 MEETING MINUTES

Member McDaniel made the motion, and Member Yoch seconded to approve the December 18, 2023, meeting minutes. The vote was taken with the following results:

YEAH:	Chair Hurley and Members McDaniel, Migliorino, Splitt, Vinyard and Yoch
NAY:	None

ITEM 2, being:

OPERATOR UPDATE

Mr. Jason Olsen, Director of Parks & Recreation, said basketball play began a couple of weeks ago at the Young Family Athletic Facility (YFAC). The first (outside) basketball tournament, the Fade Away Winter Hoops Classic, was held over the weekend, and 100 teams participated. Mr. Olsen said there were a few plumbing issues, but have since been resolved.

Member Nicholson arrived at the meeting at 4:16 p.m.

Mr. Olsen said the YFAC continues to work on Community Partner Agreements with the Norman Optimist Club (NOC), Rise Volleyball Club, Sooner Swim Club, Beanstalk Coffee and Sno. He said additional contracts at the YFAC include Image Net, Pepsi Beverages Company, and CSC Security.

Member McDaniel asked if Coke and Pepsi products could be sold at the YFAC, and Staff said yes. He suggested checking prices on cases of water because buying it from Sam's may be cheaper than buying from Pepsi and can be sold to the public for less. Mr. Olsen said Trae Young has connections with Pepsi; therefore, they may offer added incentives.

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Member McDaniel asked if there had been any other issues since basketball play started, and Mr. Olsen said there had been some parking issues. He said ample parking at the YFAC and shared parking with Embassy Suites. He said the Staff is working on signage for parking and drop-off area(s), sending out parking maps, and educating the public about the shared parking, i.e., if parking is not available at the YFAC, passengers can be dropped off at the facility. The driver can park at the Embassy Suites. Member Vinyard said people walking a little distance is not an anomaly compared to out-of-town facilities and wondered if shuttling people to YFAC would be possible. Mr. Olsen said that could be a future option and reminded the Group that there are 700 parking spaces at YFAC, 1,700 at the Embassy, and *many* at Crest (unsure of the exact number). He said the City offers YFAC Guest Passes to Embassy Suites to distribute to hotel patrons. He said the Guest Pass allows them one free day to open the gym and/or pool. Chair Hurley asked if the City or NEDC owned any land around the YFAC that could be used to construct additional future parking, and Staff said that might be a possibility, but funding would need to be available. Mr. Olsen said Staff can talk to NEDC (and Crest) and bring back the information if the Group wants another meeting. The Board discussed the parking issues and would like another meeting before the February 19, 2024 ribbon cutting.

Member Splitt made the motion, and Member Yoch seconded, requesting the City continue working to solve YFAC parking issues. The vote was taken with the following results:

YEAH: Chair Hurley and Members McDaniel, Migliorino, Nicholson, Splitt, Vinyard, and Yoch

NAY: None

Member Nicholson said Sooner Swim Club is trying to schedule a swim event in September. He said many out-of-town people will attend; however, most hotels are already getting full or completely booked, especially on OU football weekends. Mr. Olsen felt the Norman Sports Commission was created to help find solutions to these situations. Member Nicholson asked if there were any double-booked tournaments (basketball/volleyball and swim), and Mr. Olsen said he would get with the YFAC Operation Supervisors to check schedules.

Chair Hurley said the Group requested the Council to look at hiring more employees at the YFAC and asked whether or not additional employees have been hired. Mr. Olsen said an administrative position was changed to a program operator position, and Staff has made budget requests for additional employees.

Chair Hurley asked when the first volleyball tournament would be held, and Mr. Olsen said the Oklahoma Regions Volleyball Association tournament is scheduled for March 10, 2024. Mr. Olsen said an E-Sports Championship is scheduled in April.

ITEM 3, being:

PROJECT UPDATE AND FACILITY TOUR

Mr. Jason Olsen, Director of Parks and Recreation, said the City has an agreement with the contractor regarding concerns with the concrete decking around the YFAC pool(s). He said the contractor will grind 3/8" inches off the concrete deck at the Recreation Pool and install tiles, and the contractor will remove and re-pour the decking at the Competition Pool. Mr. Olsen said the City has agreed to pay \$30,000 for the tile and said the tile will add value to the pool and increase the pool deck longevity. He said the work would be completed, and both pools would be filled with water before the ribbon cutting, but the pool(s) would still need inspections. Mr. Olsen said the inspections should be completed in March, and the pool(s) will be ready for use.

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Member Yoch left the meeting at 4:33 p.m.

Mr. Olsen said an art dedication for YFAC is scheduled for February 19th at 10:00 a.m., and the ribbon cutting is scheduled at 3:30 p.m. He told those in attendance can enjoy many fun festivities planned for the day and tour the facility.

Chair Hurley reminded anyone who would like to tour the facility to stay after the meeting adjourns.

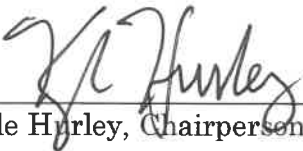
ADJOURNMENT

Member McDaniel made the motion, and Member Nicholson seconded it to approve adjournment. The vote was taken with the following results:

YEAH: Chair Hurley and Members McDaniel, Migliorino, Nicholson, Splitt and Vinyard

NAY: None

Passed and approved this 12th of February, 2024.



Kyle Hurley, Chairperson

