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March 30, 2021

## MEMORANDUM

TO: Recreation Committee Members

FROM: Duncan Mullis  
Director of Recreation and Parks

SUBJECT: Next Meeting

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The next meeting of the Recreation Committee will be held on Monday, April 5, 2021 at 7:30 p.m. This will be a virtual meeting on Zoom. Here are the details:

**Link to Zoom Meeting:** <https://zoom.us/j/92535488342?pwd=T1F6V2xsZ2wwcGtobnhLUG1rbS95UT09>

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**Call in:** 301 715 8592

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The agenda follows. If you are unable to attend, please notify me at 240-243-2337, [dmullis@mvf.org](mailto:dmullis@mvf.org)

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## MVF RECREATION COMMITTEE

Monday, April 5, 2021

### Virtual Meeting:

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7:30pm

### AGENDA

- I. Residents Time
- II. Review and approve minutes of the February 22, 2021 meeting - Enclosure II
- III. Staff Update
  - A. Programming Update
  - B. Projects Update
- IV. New Business
  - A. Presentation from Aquatics Manager, Petra Padilla: Update on the plans for the 2021 Pool Season
  - B. Consider the proposed 2021 Pool Schedule (phase-1 – May 22 - July 31) – Enclosure IVA
  - C. Consider the proposed changes to the Pool Operating Policy – Enclosure IVB
  - D. Receive an update on the plan to manage changing COVID-19 Restrictions for the 2021 season – Enclosure IVC
  - E. Consider the proposed Wibit inflatable obstacle course for North Creek Pool – Enclosure IVD
  - F. Discuss recommendation for Committee Chair - Enclosure IVE
- V. Set next meeting date: June 7, 2021

## Montgomery Village Foundation

### MVF Recreation Committee

**February 22, 2021**

A virtual meeting of the Montgomery Village Foundation Recreation Committee was held at 7:30 p.m. on Monday, February 22, 2021.

#### **Members Present**

Karen Neilson, Chair  
Rovenia Manor  
Herb Tolbert  
Nadine Taylor-Tolbert  
Ashton Foster  
Rahul Khanna

#### **Members Absent**

Barry Wilcox  
Andrew Bird, MVF Board Liaison

#### **Others Present**

Duncan Mullis, Director of Recreation and Parks  
Amy Roswurm, Assistant Parks and Property Manager  
Kimeshia Junkins, Program Manager

#### **I. Residents' Time**

There were no residents who spoke during Residents' Time.

#### **Call Meeting to Order**

Ms. Karen Neilson, Chair, called the meeting to order at 7:32 p.m.

#### **II. Review and Approve Minutes of the December 7, 2020 Meeting**

**Ms. Taylor-Tolbert moved to accept the minutes of the December 7, 2020 meeting. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.**

#### **III. Information Item:**

Mr. Mullis shared an update on various projects that the Recreation and Parks Department have been up to since the last Recreation Committee meeting in December. Prior to the update Mr. Mullis introduced Kimeshia Junkins, MVF Program Manager, and informed Committee Members that Ms. Junkins will be doing a detailed presentation on past and future programming plans.

### **A. Projects Update**

Mr. Mullis shared that MVF had received the bathhouse permit, which had been holding up the demolition and renovation of the facility. Mr. Mullis added that he would update Committee Members at each meeting on the development of this major renovation. Mr. Mullis also informed the committee on the planned tow drain repair at Lake Whetstone. This will include lowering the lake water level by 4-feet, which will start in mid-June and last approximately 6-months. This will mean that there will be no boating season in 2021, and snow fencing will be installed around the entire lake. That being said, the park and trails will remain open. Mr. Mullis confirmed that Martin P. Roy Playground was installed; however, when staff were doing final inspections, they noticed that the swings were too close to the play structure. The contractor will be returning to remedy the issue, which should be rectified in late February/early March.

Mr. Mullis ended his update by notifying the committee that staff are working behind the scenes on the 2021 pool plans, which includes the schedule, and pool operating policy. Staff are planning to bring this to the Recreation Committee at their April Meeting. In the interim staff are working with stakeholders and the Montgomery County Department of Health and Human Services to finalize plans.

### **IV. New Business:**

#### **A. Presentation from Program Manager, Kimeshia Junkins: a reflection of programming in 2020, and a look at plans for the Spring and Summer of 2021 - Enclosure IVA**

Ms. Junkins gave the committee an overview of how the pandemic impacted programming, and how the Programming Division has pivoted to continue to provide services to residents during the pandemic. Ms. Junkins started by informing the committee on what the current guidelines allow. Ms. Junkins shared that over the summer that MVF was able to offer the community access to the farmers' market, summer camp, sports, Senior in Action, and fitness classes. Ms. Junkins noted that there were a number of events that were cancelled as they did not comply with the pandemic guidelines/restrictions. Ms. Junkins noted that the Programming Division modified events, when possible, to allow events to still be offered. Some examples of the modified events offered, include: Tricked out Rides and Sweet Treats, Reels on Wheels,

Tailgate Bingo, Co-Co-Co Crafts and Santa, Food and Toy Drives, Easter Egg Roll, and Virtual 5K. Mr. Mullis added that the Programming Division should feel proud on the way that they have been able to pivot their services. Ms. Neilson said that it was very impressive what the Programming Division has been able to achieve during the pandemic. Ms. Taylor-Tolbert stated that she has heard from residents who have been very pleased with programs and services. Mr. Tolbert asked about guidelines and what are staffs' expectations for restrictions this summer. Ms. Junkins and Mr. Mullis informed the Recreation Committee that we were expecting similar restrictions in early summer as we saw in 2020, and then for things to continue to reopen with the reduction in cases and increase in vaccinations.

**B. Select movie for Dive-In and Lawn Theater Movie events for Summer 2021 – Enclosure IVB**

Mr. Mullis gave a brief overview of the movies on offer for the 2021 season. Mr. Mullis informed the committee that the 2021 movies are intended for the Dive-In, and Lawn Theater events; however, he also noted that if these events are cancelled due to restrictions, then the movie selections would be used during one of our drive-in events. The committee discussed the options and ended their selection with Toy Story 4, and The Lion King (2019). The Committee stated that staff can assign the movies as they deem best.

**Mr. Foster made a motion to select Toy Story 4 and The Lion King for the 2021 movie selections. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.**

**C. Consider themes for Independence Day Celebration to be held Sunday, July 4th and Monday, July 5th – Enclosure IVC**

Mr. Mullis updated the Committee on the current plan for the Independence Day Celebration, which is scheduled to be held on Sunday, July 4<sup>th</sup>, and Monday, July 5<sup>th</sup>. Mr. Mullis noted that this is a change when comparing to other years, as the event is normally always held on the Federal Holiday. Due to the pandemic, and the fact the federal holiday falls after July 4<sup>th</sup>, staff felt that it was best to breakout the events. Mr. Mullis noted that staff are preparing to offer the full Independence Day Celebration; however, staff are not sure if restrictions will permit all activities from occurring. Mr. Mullis asked the committee to select a theme for the Independence Day Celebration 2021. Mr. Mullis noted that staff suggested themes were included in the pack,

and included in the suggestions was the unused 2020 theme. The committee discussed the options, and they came down to two preferences: the 2020 theme: Stars, Stripes and Summer Knights, and Olympic Fever. After some deliberation the committee voted in support of the 2020 theme: Stars, Stripes and Summer Knights.

**Ms. Neilson moved to select Stars, Stripes and Summer Knights as the Independence Day Celebration theme. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.**

**D. Review the Watkins Mill Recreation Area repurpose plan, including community input – Enclosure IVD**

Ms. Roswurm presented the plan for the repurpose of the Watkins Mill Site including the project background and an overview of the site. Ms. Roswurm noted that the site would have an exercise track, fitness equipment, the current playground will be placed near the fitness equipment, and a 4' fence around the perimeter of the amenities. Ms. Roswurm noted that the current playground is in good condition and had a lot of good play value. Ms. Roswurm then presented the three options for the gym, which had been presented to the community at a separate forum. Ms. Roswurm noted that each of the options gives users an 'indoor gym equipment experience' outdoors. Ms. Roswurm then presented the plan for shade and lighting. Ms. Roswurm noted that the shade canopy would be removed in the winter months, and that the gym lighting would be on a timer to limit hours of use. Ms. Roswurm finished the presentation by going over the community feedback, and a summary of the presentation.

Mr. Tolbert thanked Ms. Roswurm for the presentation, and asked about the durability of the equipment during the winter. Ms. Roswurm confirmed that the equipment can be used year-round. Ms. Manor stated that based on her background that there are a couple pieces that she would not recommend be included, as injuries can occur. Ms. Manor encouraged us to work with a chosen health care professional to program the space, and look over the planned facility and signage. Mr. Mullis noted that we would look to give residents the opportunity to have an introduction to the equipment. Ms. Manor identified the two exercise pieces that she felt were not a good fit for the anticipated park users, neither of these were included in the final selected design. Committee Members discussed each of the options and ended their selection with option 3. The Committee Members liked the idea of adding shade and lighting to the equipment. Ms. Taylor-Tolbert requested that we look to offer lighting times in the a.m. during the winter, and Mr. Mullis confirmed that the Park Policies will be updated prior to winter to reflect the

increased demand and new amenities. Ms. Neilson asked about the bathhouse being removed, and Mr. Mullis confirmed the bathhouse will be removed; however, port-o-potty can be considered for the space as needed.

**Ms. Neilson moved to select fitness equipment - option 3, but switch out one elliptical to an upright bike, and include a shade structure and lighting. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.**

**V. Set next meeting date: April 5, 2021**

**Adjournment**

**Ms. Taylor-Tolbert moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:40 p.m. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.**

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

**MVF Recreation Committee  
Motion List  
February 22, 2021**

- 1. Ms. Taylor-Tolbert moved to accept the minutes of the December 7, 2020 meeting. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.**
- 2. Mr. Foster made a motion to select Toy Story 4 and The Lion King for the 2021 movie selection. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.**
- 3. Ms. Neilson moved to select Stars, Stripes and Summer Knights as the Independence Day Celebration theme. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.**
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## MEMORANDUM

**TO:** Recreation Committee Members

**FROM:** Duncan Mullis, Director, Department of Recreation and Parks  
Petra Padilla, Aquatics Manager, Department of Recreation and Parks

**SUBJECT:** Proposed 2021 Pool Schedule

### **Background:**

Attached is the draft 2021 Pool Schedule (phase-1) for your consideration. Due to the ongoing pandemic, and the continued construction at the North Creek Pool, the proposed schedule is for the first part of the season (phase 1: May through July only). Staff will present the pool schedule for August through the fall (end-of-season) at a later date, when we have a better understanding on the end-of-summer restrictions, and progress on the construction at North Creek Pool. Below is a summary of the proposed major changes planned for the phase-1 2021 Pool Schedule:

- In phase-1 the pools will be open daily with no "closed" days to accommodate for attendance due to having only five pools open. The only exception is Peggy Mark Pool, which will be closed on weekdays during the spring swim schedule.
- The summer schedule (June 16 – July 31) reflects the needs of swim teams, which may have virtual meets weekly at their home pools. To accommodate swim meets, Hurley Park Pool (temporary home for North Creek Neptunes), and Whetstone Pool which are typically open in the morning will open at noon on Saturdays. To give residents a morning option to swim on Saturdays, Stedwick pool will open at 9am.
- Hurley Park Pool will continue to close at 6pm on weekdays to allow the Neptunes swim team to hold practices. During the weekends the Hurley Park Pool will remain open until 8pm to accommodate for North Creek Pool closure.
- Please note that in the event that swim teams have a regular season, both weekend days during the summer schedule will have delayed openings on a day when a swim team has a home meets, just like pre-COVID swim seasons.

In the blank space of the Pool Schedule staff will include the COVID-19 procedures once the County/State restrictions have been released. We expect the procedures to change throughout the season as the County/State restrictions change, and staff plan to continue to modify the schedule to reflect those changing restrictions. The 2021 planed aquatics response to the COVID-19 restrictions is outlined in Enclosure IVC.

**Action Requested:** Review proposed schedule, which is attached, and make recommendation for change or approve.

**Attachment**  
DM/PP/np

# Montgomery Village Foundation 2021 Pool Schedule

## Early Spring Season (May 22 - May 28)

| Location      | Weekdays       | Weekends     |
|---------------|----------------|--------------|
| Stedwick Pool | 3:30 – 7:30 pm | 12 – 7:30 pm |

## Spring Swim Schedule (May 23 - June 15)

| Location         | Weekdays     | Weekends/Memorial Day |
|------------------|--------------|-----------------------|
| Lake Marion Pool | 4 – 7:30 pm  | 12 – 7:30 pm          |
| Hurley Park Pool | 4 – 7:30 pm  | 12 – 7:30 pm          |
| Peggy Mark Pool  | Closed       | 12 – 7:30 pm          |
| Stedwick Pool    | 12 – 7:30 pm | 12 – 7:30 pm          |
| Whetstone Pool   | 4 – 7:30 pm  | 12 – 7:30 pm          |

## Summer Swim Schedule (June 16 - July 31)

| Location          | Weekdays        | Saturdays    | Sundays         |
|-------------------|-----------------|--------------|-----------------|
| Hurley Park Pool* | 9 am – 6 pm     | 12 – 8 pm    | 9 am – 8 pm     |
| Lake Marion Pool  | 12 – 8 pm       | 12 – 8 pm    | 12 – 8 pm       |
| Peggy Mark Pool   | 12 – 8 pm       | 12 – 8 pm    | 12 – 8 pm       |
| Stedwick Pool     | 12 – 10 pm      | 9 am – 10 pm | 12 – 10 pm      |
| Whetstone Pool    | 10:30 am – 8 pm | 12 – 8 pm    | 10:30 am – 8 pm |

**\*Morning  
Lap Swimming  
Hurley Park Pool  
June 17 - July 31  
7 - 9 am  
Weekdays**

**July 4 Hours  
Hurley Park Pool  
7 a.m. to 6 p.m.  
All other pools  
Noon to 6 p.m.**



**ADA Lift:**  
Hurley Park Pool  
Lake Marion Pool  
Stedwick Pool  
Whetstone Pool

**ADA Ramp:**  
Peggy Mark Pool



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Foundation to get  
up to date info on  
your phone

| Location         | Address                   | Phone        | # of Lap Lanes |
|------------------|---------------------------|--------------|----------------|
| Hurley Park Pool | 20737 Highland Hall Drive | 301-926-9544 | 3              |
| Lake Marion Pool | 8821 East Village Avenue  | 301-948-8083 | 6*             |
| North Creek Pool | Under Construction        |              |                |
| Peggy Mark Pool  | 10101 Apple Ridge Road    | 301-977-9869 | 0              |
| Stedwick Pool    | 10401 Stedwick Road       | 301-926-9247 | 3              |
| Whetstone Pool   | 19140 Brooke Grove Court  | 301-926-9719 | 2              |

\*Lap lanes will be limited to two during swim team practice

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FROM: Duncan Mullis, Director, Department of Recreation and Parks  
Petra Padilla, Aquatics Manager

SUBJECT: Proposed changes to MVF Pool Operating Policy

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**Background:** The Pool Operating Policy was last revised and approved by the Board of Directors in January 2019. This year staff are recommending some more modifications and additions, including for the new amenities that will be coming online with North Creek Pool. Attached is a copy of the current approved Pool Operating Policy with proposed modification highlighted for consideration/discussion.

Below are the outlined changes:

### **General Policies (page 1):**

Policy number 12: "Food must be consumed in designated areas" was changed to "food must be consumed at least 8-feet from the pool". Due to Covid-19, eating in designated areas was not enforced by staff to prevent from too many people gathering at one location. Staff did not encounter any issues with this change and recommends following the revised approach in the future.

### **Safety Regulations (page 2):**

Policy number 2 is being updated to reflect the new design of the North Creek Pool's 25-meter course, where the depth of the water is now deep enough to allow diving (6-feet or deeper).

### **Wading Pool Regulations (page 2):**

Wading Pool Regulations were reformatted. The wading pool regulations and wading pool slide regulations did not change; however, wading pool play feature regulations were added to cover the new feature at North Creek wading pool.

### **Lap Lanes Etiquette (page 3):**

Lap lanes etiquette was updated to add swimming etiquette for two swimmers using one lane and information on how to pass a slower swimmer. Following verbiage was added to the Lap Lanes Etiquette section: "a swimmer must share a lap lane in the event that not enough lanes are available for individual use".

### **Large Water Slide Rules and Wibit – Inflatable Course (page 4):**

Large Water Slide Rules and Wibit Inflatable Course Rules were added to the Pool Operating Policy to reflect the new features, which will be available to residents when North Creek Pools opens after the renovation. The rules include all manufacturer guidelines and best practices.

**Action Needed:** Review the proposed Pool Operating Policy, which is attached, and make recommendations for change or approve.

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### MONTGOMERY VILLAGE FOUNDATION POOL OPERATING POLICY

To insure maximum safety and pleasurable swimming, the following policy has been adopted by the Board of Directors of the Montgomery Village Foundation:

#### GENERAL POLICIES:

1. All persons (members or guests) using the pool or pool area do so at their own risk and sole responsibility and will be held responsible for the safety, well-being and actions of their children. The Montgomery Village Foundation assumes no responsibility for any accident or injury in connection with such use and will not be responsible for any loss, damage or personal property of any kind. No trespassing when closed.
2. During all pool operating hours, certified lifeguards will be on duty.
3. Staff has the authority to use discretion to enforce the rules and regulations and maintain a safe and healthy environment.
4. The pool manager is in charge of the pool and has the authority to dismiss any adult or child from the pool for any infraction of the rules or when safety is threatened. In such cases management may withhold activity cards.
5. Montgomery Village Foundation pools are family oriented community facilities. Foul, rude or offensive language or behavior will not be tolerated. Offenders will be asked to leave the premises immediately.
6. The pool may be closed at the discretion of the pool manager on duty due to inclement weather, operational breakdown, or other emergency. During the electrical storms, the entire pool facility will be closed for a period of one half hour after the last report of thunder or lightning. Pools may be closed when the air temperature is below 70F.
7. Children 6 years and under using bathrooms must be accompanied by person over 16 years of age.
8. The use of cameras, video cameras or any device containing camera equipment of any kind is prohibited in all bathrooms or changing facilities. Use of cameras in other areas of the facility to photograph activities with family and friends should not infringe on the right to privacy of others: Photographs or videos should not be taken of others without their permission.
9. Persons suspected of being under influence of alcohol or drugs will not be permitted in the facility.
10. Alcoholic beverages are not allowed in the pool enclosure or bathhouse.
11. Audio equipment must be used with headphones at a volume that cannot be heard by others.
12. Beverages and food must be consumed at least 8 feet from the pool. ~~Food must be consumed in designated areas.~~
13. Glass containers are not allowed in the pool area or bathhouse.
14. Pets are not allowed in the pool area, with the exception of service animals.
15. Loitering will not be permitted in the facility, parking lot or grounds.
16. Smoking is not permitted anywhere in the facilities, or 25 feet from them.
17. Use of swimming pools by businesses or individuals for profit is prohibited, except under agreement with MVF Department of Recreation and Parks.

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#### ADMITTANCE TO POOLS:

Designated Users (MVF photo activity card holders) and Pool Members (Blue photo activity card holders)

1. Activity card with current sticker must be given to the desk attendant upon entering and picked up when leaving the pool.
2. Children under the age of 10 need to be accompanied at all times by a person 16 years or over.
3. One person 16 years or over can bring a maximum of 5 children under the age of 10 to the pool at any one time.

#### Non-Designated Users

1. Current Activity card and Single Guest pass must be given to the desk attendant upon entering. Activity Card must be picked up when leaving the pool.
2. Single Guest pass is valid for one person, one entry only.
3. Children under the age of 10 need to be accompanied at all times by a resident 16 years or over. MVF Single guest pass will be required for all children 2 years and older.
4. One person 16 years or over can bring a maximum of 5 children under age of 10 to the pool at any one time.

#### Guest entry procedure

1. Designated Adult User Activity Card holder and Pool Member can bring up to 5 guests at any one time with single guest pass or 20 punch guest pass (excluding an MVF sanctioned pool party, as part of the pool party rental program).
2. Non-designated user Adult activity card holder can bring up to 5 guests at any one time with the MVF single guest pass for each person.
3. Youth Activity Card holders can bring up to 2 guests over the age of 10 at any one time.
4. One Single guest pass will be collected or one punch will be used on the 20 punch guest pass per each guest 2 years and older.
5. Guests must sign in at the pool desk.
6. Guests must be accompanied by resident at all times and are fully responsible for the actions of their guests.

#### House Guest Pass Holder

1. May enter the pool without a resident member.
2. Pass is valid only during indicated period.
3. May not bring additional guests to pool.
4. Resident is fully responsible for action of their guests.

#### Child Care Provider Pass

1. Child Care provider 16 years and over may bring a maximum of 5 residents' children 10 and under to the pool with the Child Care provider pass.
2. Child Care provider may not enter the facility without resident's children.
3. Child Care provider is responsible for supervision, well-being of children while using the facility.
4. Resident is responsible for the actions of the Child Care Provider whom he/she purchased the pass.

#### HEALTH REGULATIONS:

1. Bathers who are incontinent and wish to enter pool must wear snugly fitting rubber/plastic pants over the clean diaper or swim diaper.
2. Swimmers must wear swim attire upon entry to the pool. Swimwear must be made of a light material suitable for swimming such as Lycra, Spandex or Nylon. Swim wear should not be transparent or worn for exercising immediately prior to pool use. Clean t-shirt may be worn on top of swimsuits for modesty or medical reasons. NO street clothes, cut-offs, athletic shorts, jeans, thongs, under garments or underwear or swimwear which restricts movement are permitted.
3. Any person having any apparent skin disease, sore or inflamed eyes, cough, cold, nasal or ear discharge, or wearing band-aids or bandages, or having any communicable disease are not permitted in the pool.
4. All persons using the pool must take a cleansing shower, using soap and water, before entering pool.
5. Spitting, spouting water, blowing the nose, introducing of dirt, excreta and other extraneous matter, dangerous objects and materials are prohibited in the pool.

#### SAFETY REGULATIONS:

1. Persons who are not water safe and/or under the age of 6 years old must be within arm reach and actively supervised while in the pool by a responsible guardian 16 years of age or over at all times. Lifeguards may require children 6 years and older to swim 25 meters and tread water for 1 minute to demonstrate their ability to swim without the arms length supervision of a guardian
2. ~~Diving is allowed only in water 6 feet or deeper. No diving is allowed from the side of the pool.~~ The only exception will be at the diving well during open well swim and during swim team practice in depth 4 feet and over, under supervision of the coach and at his or her sole responsibility.
3. Prolonged breath holding activity or underwater swimming for distance is prohibited.
4. For lifeguard access walking or sitting may be restricted in certain areas of the pool deck.
5. No running in the bathhouse or pool deck area.
6. No rough or dangerous play that may injure or cause undue disturbances to others is permitted in the pool, on the decks, diving boards, or bathhouse.
7. Gum chewing is not permitted in the pool.
8. On top of each hour there will be 15 minutes rest period for everyone under the age of 16. The last rest period will be announced 15 minutes prior to closing time instead at top of the hour. During rest period children must be completely out of the pool unless child is 2 year and under in the arms of an adult 16 year and over.
9. All furniture and equipment (strollers, chairs, playpens and etc.) must be placed at least 8 feet away from pool

#### WADING POOL REGULATIONS:

1. Supervision of children using the wading pools and wading pool slide is the responsibility of the person 16 years and over accompanying them, and not MVF staff.
2. Only children 5 years and under are permitted in the wading pool.
3. ~~Slide (Whetstone & Peggy Mark Pool) in the wading pool area may only be used by children permitted in the wading pool.~~
4. ~~Riders must use the slide in a feet first, seated manner.~~
5. ~~The slide and associated landing area should be clear of the previous rider before next rider begins.~~
6. ~~Children must wear snugly fitting rubber/plastic pants over the clean swim diaper or diaper.~~
4. ~~Appropriate toys and floats are allowed in the wading pool.~~

#### WADING POOL SLIDE REGULATION (Whetstone & Peggy Mark Pool Only)

1. ~~Slide may only be used by children permitted in the wading pool.~~
2. ~~Riders must use the slide in a feet first, seated manner.~~
3. ~~The slide and associated landing area should be clear of the previous rider before rider begins.~~

#### WADING POOL PLAY FEATURE REGULATION (North Creek Pool Only)

1. ~~Play feature may only be used by children permitted in the wading pool.~~
2. ~~Climbing the play feature is not permitted.~~

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### EQUIPMENT AND TOYS REGULATION (Main Pool):

1. Only the following equipment will be allowed in the main pool:
  - a) Goggles
  - b) Kickboards, swim fins and snorkels are for swimming in lap lanes only.
  - c) The only approved flotation devices must be properly fitted and labeled as Coast Guard approved for lifeguard verification. Persons who are using an approved safety device are considered not water safe. (see safety regulation # 1). Other flotation devices are not allowed, except for scheduled events. Water wings and Life vests must be Coast Guard approved even for a special event.
  - d) Pool noodles are allowed at Peggy Mark Pool
2. Equipment for water exercise such as belts, noodles or water weights are only allowed in the main pool when used by adult (16 years and older) for exercise purposes or during recreational programs.
3. At the discretion of the pool manager, in a designated area of the pool, playing "Catch" with a soft small object or use of soft toys at close proximity without prolonged breath holding is allowed. During busier times these objects may not be allowed.

### LAP LANES ETIQUETTE:

1. Lap lane space is limited. Persons not actively swimming laps or exercising must remain in other areas of the pool.
2. Lane dividers are not weight bearing; refrain from using them as support.
3. Lap lanes are intended for multiple swimmers. A swimmer must share a lap lane in the event that not enough lanes are available for individual use.
4. Two swimmers per lane:
  - a) Swimmers should arrange themselves according to speed in the lanes and communicate with others in the lane to begin.
  - b) Swimmers must stay to one side of the black line.
5. Three or more swimmers per lane:
  - a) Swimmers should arrange themselves according to speed in the lanes and communicate with others in the lane to begin.
  - b) Swimmers must swim to the right of the black line, in a circular pattern.
  - c) Turn at the center of the wall to avoid collisions.
  - d) Move to another lane if you are too slow or too fast for the lane.
6. To pass a slower swimmer:
  - a) Pass at the end of each lap, after tapping the foot of the swimmer in front. The swimmer being passed should wait on the right side of the lane.
  - b) If the left side of the lane is clear, pass swimmer on the left. Be sure there are at least five yards of clear water to the wall, before passing.
7. Several people of similar speeds can effectively share each lane by "circle swimming". Swim counterclockwise near the lane lines and pass in the middle when more than two swimmers are in a lane.
8. Lane dividers are not weight bearing; refrain from using them as support.
9. Stop only at the turning walls. Move to the side to allow others to turn and continue.
10. Lap swimmers should arrange themselves according to speed in the lanes.

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### DIVING BOARD/WELL RULES:

1. Persons using the diving board must be able to swim to the ladder unaccompanied. Swimmers may be asked to prove ability to swim before using the board or at any time if deemed necessary.
2. Swimmers may be asked to take a break from using the diving board or well if swimming ability appears to the lifeguard to become compromised for any reason.
3. Only one person at a time is permitted on the diving board and ladder.
4. Only one bounce is permitted before diving.
5. Dives must be straight out away from the board.
6. Upon surfacing, immediately swim to the nearest ladder to exit.
7. Divers must wait until the preceding diver has surfaced and reached the ladder.
8. Cut-aways or inward dives or dives for distance are prohibited.
9. Swimmers may not catch non-swimmers in the well.
10. To ensure everyone's safety, the lifeguard may deny improper dives/jumps any time.
11. Divers may not use goggles while diving.
12. During open well swim, diving boards will be closed. Flotation devices or vests may not be used in the diving well except for special events.

### DUAL WATER SLIDE RULES (Whetstone & Peggy Mark Pool Only):

1. The line should form against the railing with only one person per step. Only two people will be permitted on the platform at a time.
2. Riders must be able to use slide and exit the slide landing area independently.



3. Riders must be seated at the top of the slide in the start tub to begin their ride.
4. Riders may not proceed down the slide until the previous rider has exited the slide itself and the landing area.
5. Under no circumstances may any rider proceed down the slide head first, in a kneeling position or while standing.
6. Riders may not walk or crawl up the slide.
7. Riders may ride the slides in separate flumes, side by side, with another person; but not in the same flume.

#### **BODY SLIDE RULES (Peggy Mark Pool Only)**

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1. All users must be at least 40" tall.
2. No tubes, mats or life jackets permitted in flume of body slide.
3. Only one rider on the body slide at a time. No doubles or chains.
4. Enter waterslide in sitting position.
5. Ride body slide feet first either sitting or lying down on back.
6. Keep both hands & feet inside the body slide flume at all times.
7. No stopping, turning, standing, kneeling or rotating.
8. Exit plunge pool area immediately.

#### **CURRENT CHANNEL GUIDELINES (Peggy Mark Pool Only)**

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1. Person who is not water-safe must be within arm reach and actively supervised while in the channel by a responsible person 16 years of age or over. Person using approved vest is considered not water-safe. Patrons must be 48" to ride the channel unaccompanied.
2. Patrons must enter and exit the channel only from the stairs and activity pool.
3. No horseplay or dangerous activities. No diving or jumping into the current channel.
4. At the discretion of management, all riders might be required to use a noodle. If a noodle is not available, they may need to wait for another patron to finish using it.
5. Water depth is 3'6" and the current is strong. Patrons may not stop, walk the opposite way, or hold onto the wall. (Unless part of an MVF Program)
6. Only pool noodles will be allowed in the current channel. No rafts, water tubes, kick board, etc.

#### **LARGE WATER SLIDE RULES – 10 Feet or higher (North Creek Pool)**

1. All riders must be at least 48" tall.
2. Maximum rider weight is 300 pounds.
3. Warning: Water depth is 3 feet 6 inches.
4. Non-swimmers are not permitted. Riders must be able to use slide and exit the slide landing area independently.
5. The line should form on the deck with one rider on each landing and one rider in the starter tub. Wait until landing area is clear before entering.
6. All riders must enter the slide in sitting position and wait for staff to dispatch the next rider.
7. Do not propel yourself into the ride.
8. All riders must ride feet first while lying on their back with arms crossed across their chest.
9. Only one rider at a time.
10. Leave the plunge pool promptly after entering.
11. No running, standing, kneeling, rotating, rumbing, or stopping in the flume. Arms and hands must remain inside the flume at all times. Riders should remain in proper riding position until forward movement is terminated. At no time should the rider attempt to stand up while on the slide or prior to coming to a complete stop in the splash out area.
12. No diving from the slide.
13. No tubes, mats, or life jackets are permitted on the waterslide.
14. No combs or foreign objects are allowed in pockets and no jewelry can be worn while riding the slide. No cut off jeans or swim wear with exposed zippers, buckles, rivets or metal ornamentation; only approved swim suits allowed.
15. Riders must be in good health. Elderly persons, those suffering from heart disease, high blood pressure, epilepsy, or persons using prescription medication should consult their physician before using this slide. Individuals with medical conditions including, but not limited to pregnancy, hear, or back problems should not ride.
16. Do not use this slide while under the influence of alcohol or drugs.

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#### **WIBIT – INFLATABLE COURSE (North Creek Pool)**

1. All users must be at least 43" tall.
2. All users must be at least 7 years or older.
3. Must be able to swim 25 meters in a strong fashion, tread water for 1 minute or wear a Coast Guard approved vest.
4. Only one person at a time can enter the course. Next user can enter the Wibit course when previous user is at the location determined by the staff at the time of the event as setup may vary.
5. Ensure there are no people or objects in the water before jumping from any area of the Wibit course.

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6. Do not swim under-neath the Wibit course.
7. No diving or sliding head first.
8. No combs, foreign objects are allowed in pockets and no jewelry, keys, watches, exposed zippers, rivets or metal ornamentation or other sharp objects before entering combination.
9. Users must be in good health. Elderly persons, those suffering from heart disease, high blood pressure, epilepsy, or persons using prescription medication should consult their physician before using this slide. Individuals with medical conditions including, but not limited to pregnancy hear, or back problems should not ride.
10. Do not use the Wibit course while under the influence of alcohol or drugs.
11. Staff reserves the right to deny access to Wibit course if user requires rescue, needs assistance from lifeguards to move across the course, show signs of distress, taking too long to finish the course or other concerns.

**WIBIT – INFLATABLE SHALLOW WATER SHORT TRACK (North Creek Pool)**

1. All users must be at least 43" tall.
2. All users must be at least 7 years or older.
3. Must be able to swim independently to enter and exit the short track in the designated area or wear Coast Guard approved jacket.
4. Only one person can use the Wibit short track at a time.
5. Ensure there are no people or objects in the water before jumping from any area of the Wibit.
6. Do not swim under-neath the Wibit.
7. No diving or sliding head first.
8. No combs, foreign objects are allowed in pockets and no jewelry, keys, watches, exposed zippers, rivets or metal ornamentation or other sharp objects before entering short Wibit track.
9. Users must be in good health. Elderly persons, those suffering from heart disease, high blood pressure, epilepsy, or persons using prescription medication should consult their physician before using this slide. Individuals with medical conditions including, but not limited to pregnancy hearth, or back problems should not ride.
10. Do not use the Wibit short track while under the influence of alcohol or drugs.
11. Staff reserves the right to deny access to Wibit short track course if user requires rescue, needs assistance from lifeguards to move across the course, show signs of distress, taking too long to finish the course or other concerns.

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Pregnant women and people with heart, back condition or other health conditions should not use waterslide and other attractions and should check with their doctor before any pool activity.

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March 30, 2021

## MEMORANDUM

TO: Recreation Committee Members

FROM: Duncan Mullis, Director of Recreation and Parks  
Petra Padilla, Aquatics Manager

SUBJECT: Plan to manage changing COVID-19 Restrictions for the 2021 season

**Background:** Similar to in 2020, there is uncertainty on what County/State restrictions will be in place for the 2021 pool season, due to the continued fluidity of the COVID-19 pandemic. Staff predicts that throughout the summer the restrictions will continue to change, as more Montgomery County residents become vaccinated and the number of COVID-19 cases continue to drop. As a result, staff are planning a fluid approach to enable MVF to meet the changing restrictions quickly, so we can continue to offer our residents the best pool experience that we can for 2021. To do this, staff are planning to make all pool operating decisions associated to changing Montgomery County restrictions. Staff feel that they have a good handle on how to operate during the pandemic based on our approach in 2020. That being said, if there is a major change, then staff will seek guidance from the Recreation Committee. Below, is what staff are planning to do on the Activity Card and pool operating fronts; however, a final decision will be made once the initial pool restrictions are known:

### *2021 Activity Card Plan:*

Staff plan to lift the suspension on the Activity Card Policy, which was in place in 2020 to limit the number of participants in the pool, limit the number of people coming to the MVF Office, and allow MVF to open the pool as quickly as permitted. Lifting the suspension will result in residents being able to bring guests once again, allow Limited Annual Pool Memberships (LAPM) to occur, and follow all other aspects of the Activity Card Policy to return. Staff looked at a number of factors before determining that this is possible in 2021, including, looking at: 2020 capacity data, 2021 pool capacity expectations, current and expected pool capacity in 2021, and projected vaccination progress.

### *2021 Pool Operating Plan for COVID-19 Restrictions:*

Here is an example of possible COVID-19 procedures for the early 2021 pool season; however, the finalized set of procedures will reflect the County/State restrictions.

"To ensure compliance with Montgomery County guidelines, MVF is activating the following processes to maximize residents' pool experience:

- Lap lanes are limited to one resident at a time. Residents will be able to reserve a lane as long as one resident per lane is in effect. Reservations will be available during the Spring Schedule at all pools. During summer schedule, lane line reservation will be available only for 7 – 9am lap swim at Hurley Park Pool. For more information or

to reserve lane, log on to [www.montgomeryvillage.com](http://www.montgomeryvillage.com)

- When entering the facility residents must be free from COVID-19 symptoms.
- Staff will require residents to complete a sign-in upon entry and sign-out when leaving. Residents will also be required to show their current Activity Card with 2021 maroon validation sticker. Activity Cards will not be collected by the Desk Attendant.
- No furniture will be provided. Residents are encouraged to bring their own chair/towel to sit on.
- Wading pools will not be open per Montgomery County guidelines.
- Residents should stay at least 6-feet apart (both in and out of the water) from other individuals not from their household.
- Residents must wear face coverings when interacting with staff or other individuals not from their household, regardless of vaccination status. Residents will be required to wear face coverings at all times when in the bathhouses. Residents should not wear face coverings in the water.
- Water fountains will be closed.
- Items placed in Lost and Found will be disposed of at the end of the day, with the exception of items which can be wiped clean.
- Residents should download the Rainout Line app and search "Montgomery Village" to get up to date closure information. Residents can also review our closure information by visiting: [www.montgomeryvillage.com/recreation/closure-information](http://www.montgomeryvillage.com/recreation/closure-information), or calling the pool directly.
- Lazy-river and splash pads will not open in this phase."

Petra Padilla, Aquatics Manager, will present the 2021 Aquatics Plan at the April Recreation Committee to go over this in more detail.

**Action Needed:** After receiving the staff presentation please be ready to give feedback on the outlined plan for the Activity Card process, the potential restrictions, and the planned approach for 2021.

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## MEMORANDUM

TO: Recreation Committee Members

FROM: Duncan Mullis, Director, Department of Recreation and Parks  
Petra Padilla, Aquatics Manager, Department of Recreation and Parks

SUBJECT: WIBIT Inflatable Obstacle Course

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**Background:** The North Creek Pool renovation was designed with teens and preteens in mind, and includes features which will be unique to Montgomery Village Pools. One of the new features will be the Wibit, which is an inflatable obstacle course. Staff researched different length courses and combination options for the Wibit inflatable obstacle course and recommends a phased approach to the implementation plan.

Staff recommends to purchase sections to complete a 25-meter course, which includes the XL-tower and two additional pieces to allow for more versatility of use. Additionally, staff will be purchasing a volleyball inflatable course per the original approved plan for the North Creek Pool. In the subsequent phases, additional pieces would be purchased annually to expand the Wibit inflatable obstacle course experience.

Staff propose to schedule the 25-meter Wibit inflatable obstacle course once a week during the summer schedule, and alternate different levels of difficulty. Additionally, a short track course can be available 1 to 2 times per week, with a volleyball option available on a scheduled basis. Staff also propose to offer Wibit as a premium party package upgrade option to residents. These components will be included in the pool party rental program and on the pool schedule when the North Creek Pool opens, and we start offering the amenities.

Petra Padilla, Aquatics Manager, will present the Wibit inflatable obstacle course at the April Recreation Committee to go over this in more detail.

**Action Requested:** Review attached Wibit inflatable obstacle course designs and be prepared to hear a staff presentation. After reviewing the information and hearing the staff presentation, please provide feedback on the proposed plan.

**Attachment**  
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## MEMORANDUM

TO: Recreation Committee Members

FROM: Duncan Mullis, Director of Recreation and Parks

SUBJECT: Recommendation for Committee Chair

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Background: Karen Neilson has served as the chair of the Recreation Committee since April of 2009. She continues to do a great job of providing support to the committee by serving in this role. For the information of new committee members, the primary duties of a committee chairperson are:

- To set the agenda for committee meetings, working in communication with the staff and Board liaisons;
- Organize the committee to achieve its Board assigned goals, gather input from the community;
- Chair committee meetings and enforce Committee guidelines;
- Act as a resource for the Board.

Each year the committee needs to nominate and recommend to the MVF Board of Directors a chair for the upcoming corporate year. Karen may be willing to serve in this capacity again or another committee member may want to volunteer to be considered for the nomination. The Board will consider recommendations at their April Meeting.

**Action Needed:** Recommend a Chair for the upcoming committee year.

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