

I understand that you are going to build an outdoor water park facility, and that this has been the plan for years. You used a couple of random surveys to justify your plan. The first survey was not advertised, or even present at the Wascana Pool. The second survey, offering only a choice of the same pool worth slight variations, was set up stations at recreation centres, allowing children to fill out the survey. I can well believe that you would not like your election process to be based on this type of survey process.

I do not understand why no one from the City Planning committee, or any city councillors or the architect never bothered to actually speak with the people the use the pool every day, rain or shine, or temperature. People who have used the pool for years, and that not only includes lap swimmers, but families as well. You are acting like these people have no value and that they do not matter, their history and experience at the pool means zero to you. You seem to want to create a new waterslide play park for some phantom public that you imagine will suddenly appear to use the 'pool.'

In fact, you did not even think to consult the swim groups that actually use the pool, that is until Rob Nelson drew your attention to this fact.

You have no idea of the pool community that has existed there for years, and that you are seeking to eliminate.

Regina has 5 pools for families only

This is the only pool that serves the adult community as well as the swim groups as well as families. You need a big pool to serve everyone's needs. Your new plan will limit the use of the pool. It has less capacity and will restrict the usage for clubs and the public. I do not understand why adults do not matter to you. Why should every outdoor pool in Regina serve only kids? You must realize that a visit to the pool takes tremendous energy and time, and one family may visit a pool if it is in their area, only a few times in the season depending on the weather. However, adults who swim will be there every day, from the opening to the closing, regardless of the weather.

Your survey questions were very confusing and misleading. Beginning with the first question on defining what type of swimmer you are. Even though I train 6 times a week with the Reinga Masters, I said I was a leisure swimmer, because when I train there on my own, it is at a less intense pace.

You asked if a view of the lake from the pool was important, not stating that the only way to have that occur, would be to cut all the trees from the pool to the lake.

Another question was 'would you be attending the new pool?' Yes or no? The answer would be 'no' if it is going to be a water slide park!, and 'yes' if you maintained a 50yd or 50m pool, but it was only a yes or no option.

You must realize that the some of the people who took the survey, have never attended the pool and never even intend on attending the pool.

You have completely ignored the people who attended the meeting on November 12th. The people who actually took the time voice their concerns.

You are once again destroying a community, because you are unaware it even exists. You have no idea about the old Wascana Pool, and perhaps that is why you can so easily destroy it, whilst thinking you know what is best...EVEN THOUGH NOT ONE OF YOU HAS SPENT ANYTIME THERE!

A simple 50m pool will serve everybody and have the least footprint in the park.

We do not want any more of the trees in Wascana Park Park demolish. Your plan will destroy trees, and surely, you do not want to go down that road again, as there is no more room for you to back peddle your way out of that scandal.

A simple 50m pool is easy to maintain, less of a cost will last another 70 years, and will not exclude and eliminate the people who have attended the pool every day of the season for years. I will serve everyone.