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**San Jose Residents Get A Much Needed Splash**  
*Community partners to keep open two aquatics facilities*

(San José, CA) – San José park officials today announced new community partnerships that will help keep swimming pools open for the 2010 summer season. Rotary Ryland Pool, located in Downtown San José and Fair Swim Center, located in East San José will be open from June 14 through August 15 in a partnership with the California Sports Center (CSC).

“We are pleased to be partnering with California Sports Center, which will expand the aquatics program for San José residents to two additional sites this summer,” said Parks, Recreation and Neighborhood Services (PRNS) Director Albert Balago. “This is the type of creative partnership that along with community support will help save important services that our residents rely on.”

In early May, City Manager Debra Figone released the 2010-2011 Proposed Operating Budget for the City of San José that closes a \$118.5 million shortfall (including Development Fees) through significant reductions in City staffing and important City services including public safety, transportation, parks, libraries, and community centers. Proposed reductions included the closure of all city aquatics facilities except the Camden and Mayfair pools, located at city community centers.

Rotary Ryland and Fair pools will open with CSC, an experienced aquatics vendor, contracted to provide an aquatics program similar to the city’s operations at their other facilities with no subsidy from the city. This will include recreational swimming and swim lessons. CSC has agreed that their fees will not exceed the current city rate for recreational swim. In addition, they will offer an array of swim lessons with a scholarship program to ensure affordable access for the local residents.

PRNS staff continues to seek out additional partnerships to open up additional swim facilities. A Request for Interest (RFI) was issued in mid-April asking for partners to operate aquatic facilities on behalf of the city. Six proposals were submitted, while not all of the proposals meet the criteria of the RFI, the CSC proposal met all the criteria required. In addition, staff continues to work with other interested parties. As other partners are found and become finalized, it is possible that additional swim facilities may open under partnership agreements.

The City Manager’s proposed budget and other documents are online: go to [www.sanjoseca.gov](http://www.sanjoseca.gov) and click on *Budget Info*. The City Council began considering the proposed budget through a series of budget study sessions that started May 10th. Public hearings on the budget are scheduled for May 18 and June 14, and adoption of the new budget on June 22<sup>nd</sup>.

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### **ABOUT CALIFORNIA SPORTS CENTER**

The California Sports Center is an experienced aquatics vendor, currently in partnership with the City of Sunnyvale to provide a municipal aquatics program. They will be providing a similar municipal aquatics program at San José's Fair and Rotary Ryland Pools. [www.calsportscenter.com](http://www.calsportscenter.com) (408-269-2777)

### **ABOUT FAIR SWIM CENTER**

The Fair Swim Center is located at 1350 Bacchus Dr.(south of McLaughlin and Story Roads) The proposed swim program will be Mondays through Saturdays, June 14 through August 15. Please contact the California Sports Center for exact times and schedules. [www.calsportscenter.com](http://www.calsportscenter.com) (408-269-2777)

### **ABOUT ROTARY RYLAND POOL**

The Rotary Ryland Pool is located at 421 North First St.(north of N. First and Julian Sts). The proposed swim program will be Mondays through Saturdays, June 14 through August 15. Please contact the California Sports Center for exact times and schedules. [www.calsportscenter.com](http://www.calsportscenter.com) (408-269-2777)

### **ABOUT CAMDEN POOL**

The Camden Pool is located at Camden Community Center, 3369 Union Ave.(north of Camden and Union Aves.) Please check the website for exact times and schedules and to sign up for classes. <http://www.sanjoseca.gov/prns/citywide-aquatics/> (408-277-2291)

### **ABOUT MAYFAIR POOL**

The Mayfair Pool is located at Mayfair Community Center, 2039 Kammerer Ave. (east of Kammerer Ave. and S. King Rd.) Please check the website for exact times and schedules and to sign up for classes. <http://www.sanjoseca.gov/prns/citywide-aquatics/> (408-277-2291)