CITY OF NEWPORT

RESOLUTION NO. 3656

A RESOLUTION SUSPENDING THE INCREASE OF RECREATION CENTER AND SWIMMING POOL USER FEES FOR ONE YEAR

Findings:

- The City of Newport has established user fees for the swimming pool and recreation center, and associated programs, to contribute toward expenses incurred in the operation of these facilities and programs.
- Section 3 of Resolution No. 3487 provides that "Recreation fees beginning January 1, 2013, and every year thereafter, shall be increased an amount equal to the adjustment for inflation using the Bureau of Labor Statistics Consumer Price Index for Urban Consumers (CPI-U)."
- 3. The CPI increase for 2014 is 1.2% which would generate approximately \$12 per \$1,000 of revenue.
- 4. The user fees for the swimming pool and recreation center, and associated programs, have steadily increased during the last four years, and the city is approaching the point of diminishing returns.
- 5. The citizens of Newport will be experiencing an increase to ad valorem taxes due to the passage of Measure 21-152 for the financing of a new indoor municipal swimming pool.
- Section 5 of Resolution No. 3487 provides that "Unless otherwise adopted by the Council, fees beyond 2012 will increase by an amount equal to the adjustment for inflation using the Bureau of Labor Statistics Consumer Price Index for Urban Consumers (CPI-U)."
- 7. The Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee unanimously support the concept of suspending the annual increase in swimming pool and recreation user fees, and associated programs, for the 2014 calendar year.

The City of Newport resolves as follows:

<u>Section 1</u>. The annual increase in user fees for the swimming pool and recreation center, and associated programs, is suspended for one calendar year until January 1, 2015.

<u>Section 2</u>. The annual increase in user fees for the swimming pool and recreation center, and associated programs, will increase as provided in Resolution No. 3487 beginning on January 1, 2015, and continuing annually thereafter unless otherwise adopted by Council.

Section 3. This resolution will become effective on January 1, 2014.

Sandra N. Roumagoux, Mayor

ATTEST:

Margaret M. Hawker, City Recorder