

City Council Introduction: March 31, 2014

Bill Number 14R-84

Public Hearing: April 7, 2014

FACT SHEET

TITLE: Adopting Lincoln Operational and Management Standards for Public Swimming Pools

SPONSOR: Health Department

OPPONENTS: None specifically identified

STAFF RECOMMENDATION: For

OTHER DEPARTMENTS AFFECTED:
Parks and Recreation

APPLICANT: Health Department

REASON FOR LEGISLATION:

To assure public health is protected from recreational waterborne illnesses by adopting minimum Lincoln Operational and Management Standards for Public Swimming Pools.

DISCUSSION

LMC 8.38 Public Swimming Pools, section 050 requires that all public swimming pools regulated by Chapter 8.38 be operated and maintained in accordance with the Lincoln Operational and Management Standards for Public Swimming Pools, and that the standards be adopted by resolution by the City Council. These standards provide technical definitions, and specific pool operating, staffing/supervision (lifeguards), and physical plant requirements. In addition, they clarify when a pool shall be closed due to violations of water chemistry, disinfectant levels, or equipment issues. These standards, in conjunction with Chapter 8.38 itself and Nebraska Title 178 NAC 4 Swimming Pool Design and Construction standards adopted by reference in section 030, combine to form the framework for safe public swimming pools.

The Lincoln-Lancaster County Board of Health reviewed and approved the proposed changes to LMC 8.38 Public Swimming Pools and the regulations on March 11, 2014.

POLICY OR PROGRAM CHANGE: Yes

COST OF TOTAL PROJECT: \$0 – This work is 100% fee funded.

SOURCE OF FUNDS:

CITY: None

NON CITY: Permit and certificate fees

BENEFIT COST: N/A

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