

City of Ridgeside

P.O. Box 3265
Chattanooga, TN 37404

Mayor Brant Mason
Commissioner Randy Dunagan
Commissioner Sonny Sanders

April 7, 2008

RE: Reduction in Pool Fee for Ridgeside Citizens

Dear Ridgeside Citizen,

Commissioner Sanders recommended a change be made to the annual pool fee for the citizens of Ridgeside. This topic was discussed with the Pool and Parks committee and there was agreement that the pool fee should be reduced to \$25 (per household) for the citizens. The justification for this change was driven by the fact that the pool is subsidized by all taxpayers and they should have the opportunity to enjoy this wonderful resource without paying a significant fee (the fee was \$225 last year). This change represents about \$10,000 of additional expense to the city annually.

The commissioners plan to discuss this topic and modify the city budget at the April 15 commission meeting.

There is no change to the fee for residents outside Ridgeside to join (this will be \$275 in 2008). Non residents contribute about \$9,000 to the pool revenues each year.

We hope you agree this was a positive change and that you take the opportunity to complete the attached pool registration so you can enjoy the pool this summer.

Sincerely,

Brant Mason
Mayor
City of Ridgeside

2008 Ridgeside Swim Team Schedule

Home Meets

Monday, June 9th
Monday, June 16th
Monday July 14th
Thursday July 17th

Away Meets*

Thursday, June 19th
Monday, June 23rd
Thursday, June 26th
Thursday, July 10th

The Ridgeside Pool closes at 6:30p.m.

Monday through Thursday in order for our swim team to practice.

****The pool will remain open until 8:00p.m. on dates of 'Away' swim meets***

Pool and Park Board Members;

***Will Cox, Jim Dorris, Priscilla McLaughlin, Kelly Maxwell, Kelly Robinson,
Randy Shipp, Paula Stearman, City Commission liaison - Randy Dunagan***

2008 Ridgeside Community Pool Rules and Regulations

The following rules and regulations have been established for the protection and benefit of all members of the Ridgeside Community Pool and their guests. These rules are intended to help assure safe and sanitary operation of the pool facilities. Parents are expected to caution their children to observe these rules and regulations and to obey the instructions of the lifeguards. Failure to comply with these rules and regulations may be considered sufficient cause for the suspension of pool privileges and/or the revocation of pool membership.

Hours of Operation. Normal operating hours are shown below. Hours of operation may be changed due to unsafe or undesirable weather conditions. The pool will be closed during home swim meets. The Pool Board reserves the right to change hours of operation.

Monday	1:00PM to 6:30 PM* (Till 8:00PM after Aug 1st)
Tu. Wed. Thursday	10:00AM to 6:30 PM* (Till 8:00PM after Aug 1st)
Friday	10:00AM to 10:00 PM
Saturday	10:00AM to 8:00 PM
Sunday	1:00 PM to 8:00 PM

* Pool remains open till 8:00PM on dates of away swim meets

Guests are welcome when accompanied by a member.

The lifeguard upon admission will collect a fee of \$5.00 per day per guest to the pool, \$3.00 after 5:00 PM. Guest visits are limited to not more than eight per season.

There is no charge for visitors residing outside of a fifty-mile radius of the City of Ridgeside.

No guest privileges of any type will be extended to persons who reside in Ridgeside.

Health, Safety and Courtesy.

The lifeguard on duty is in charge of the pool and pool facilities. The lifeguard's decisions and instructions must be followed at all times. All lifeguards are charged by the Pool Board to enforce rules related to health, safety and courtesy. Lifeguards have the authority to expel from the pool area any member or guest who fails to obey his/her instructions or fails to obey pool rules. If a child is asked to leave the pool due to misconduct, the parents will be notified.

Pool Rules

- Children must be **Eight years old** and must be able to swim twice the width of the pool to be left unaccompanied by a parent or guardian.
- A guardian must be at least 16 years of age, and have the written consent of a parent.
- No running.
- No alcoholic or tobacco products.
- No food products allowed in pool.
- No pets allowed in pool area.
- No abusive or profane language.
- Music should be played at a low volume.
- Admission to the pool may be refused to anyone with contagious conditions..
- The lifeguard may clear the pool for an adult swim period or because of weather.
- All babies must wear swim diapers covered with elastic fitting swim bottoms.
- Clothing or Swimsuits must be worn at all times.
- No jumping or diving off the lifeguard stand.
- Members should drive slowly and park carefully in the pool area and watch for children.
- No glasses or glass containers are allowed in the pool area.
- Food should be kept in prescribed areas. Members should clean up their own food and drink.
- Personal use of the pool phone is limited to three minutes.

All persons entering the pool are to register with a lifeguard. Lifeguards are instructed by the Pool Board to refuse admission to any person whose fees are unpaid.

Personal Risk and Liability.

The pool is not responsible for personal property. Members are liable for any property damage resulting from their actions and/or the actions of their children, grandchildren or guests. All members and guests, including children, use the pool and its facilities at their own risk. The pool is not liable for any action or injury.

Special Functions.

The pool is available for special functions, during regular hours and after hours. Please contact the pool manager or a member of the pool board for details and prices.

Swim Lessons.

Only swim instructors approved and scheduled by the Pool Manager may conduct swimming lessons using Ridgeside Pool. Please contact a lifeguard for information.

Suggestions.

Feel free to contact the pool manager (pool 698-2324) or contact a Pool Board member.

I have read the rules and regulations of the Ridgeside Pool and agree to abide by them. I will be financially responsible for any damage caused by my family or our guest. I understand that there are inherent risk in swimming and pool activities and agree to release and hold harmless Ridgeside Community Pool, its Board, its employees and the City of Ridgeside from any responsibility for loss of property or bodily injury.

Sign: _____ Date _____