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My family had a pool membership at CSM La Plata for several years, and would renew immediately if the pool were to reopen. The schedule was great for swimming laps or just open swim. The cost was very reasonable compared to the country club or other private pools, and the schedule was not filled with swim team practice at the times we most wanted to swim. The staff there were always helpful and friendly. The CSM Pool is a local treasure. There were often families swimming together; young children and children with developmental challenges taking swim lessons; older folks getting exercise or learning to SCUBA dive - it was wonderful to have an indoor option available that didn't have conflicts with public school schedules or events. I know there is an aquatics center in the works, but that's a long way off AND a lot of money to spend. The CSM pool could be ready to go in a short period of time and

would benefit the county immediately. Parks & Rec swim lessons fill up quickly, even more so over the 'indoor only' season when there are limited offerings. Having another facility available would increase the availability of swim lessons and aquatic fitness classes for residents year-round. Schools and groups participating in the Sea Perch STEM program would have another location to test their robots and hold their events. Reopening the pool would also create steady jobs for lifeguards, fitness instructors, and maintenance personnel. Please consider moving forward with this proposal. Reopening the pool would be a huge benefit for the county.

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