

Trustees to Discuss New Pool

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A zero-depth pool, six lap lanes, 12-foot diving well, flume slide and a “spray ground.”

Those are among the amenities for a proposed aquatic center to be discussed Wednesday night by Antioch trustees at a Committee of the Whole meeting.

Architects revealed a concept plan for the new Antioch aquatic center Monday night.

Doug Holzrichter, president of PHN Architects, said the pool concept calls for a zero-depth pool, six lap lanes, a bench set within the pool, a 12-foot-deep diving well with two boards, a flume slide that ends in a shallow trough and a “spray ground” for children.

The concept plan also includes shade structures and green space within the fence line, along with landscaping, “to make it feel more park-like,” Holzrichter said.

Williams Park, the village board-selected site for the new aquatic center, would be reorganized under the concept plan, said Tod Stanton of Design Perspectives. The plan includes 145 parking spaces, a new playground area, a path from the Metra parking lot to the Antioch Public Library, fitness stations, a relocated picnic pavilion, evergreens to buffer the railroad tracks and landscaping.

This concept plan comes with a roughly \$6 million price tag, Holzrichter said, but some elements could be phased-in in coming years.

The master plan is expected to be unveiled Nov. 17, Stanton said. The village is aiming to apply for an Illinois Department of Natural Resources grant to help fund the project. That grant application, including specifics about the aquatic center’s design, must be submitted by Nov. 29.