Attachment 3: Outdoor Pool Options: Interactive Story Board Map Summary and Facility Options



COURTENAY The Future of the Courtenay & District Memorial Outdoor Poo

To better understand the aquatic neess of residents, the City of Courtenay and Comox Valley Regional District completed an Aquatic Needs Strategy (2023) to provide direction for the future of aquatic services in the region.

The key findings of the Strategy include the following.

· Existing aquatic facilities are well utilized and highly valued community spaces.

· Currently there is no need to increase water capacity (no additional pools / aquatic facilities) in order to meet community need.

· There is community demand for enhanced aquatic leisure and wellness experiences.

· There is a need to focus on enhanced accessibility at aquatic facilities.

· Alignment with regional environmental objectives is of key importance.



The Aquatic Needs Strategy contains three strategic objectives to guide the Comox Valley Regional District and City of Courtenay in the delivery of aquatic services.

1. High quality aquatic facilities that are adaptable and responsive to community need.

2. Provide accessible, affordable and inclusive facilities and services.

3. Facilities and services are well planned, maintained and managed.

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COURTENARY The Future of the Courtenay & District Memorial Outdoor Pool

The Courtenay & District Memorial Outdoor Pool is 74 years old and requires substantial investment to continue to offer outdoor aquatic opportunities. There are several options as it relates to the future of the outdoor pool and the City of Courtenay wants to hear from residents and users to help plan for its future.

· Built in 1949 as memorial pool to honour veterans and their service.

 Nearing end of facility life, according to a 2015 condition assessment, it requires approximately \$1 million in capital investment over the next ten years to remain operational. The remediation of a leak issue will likely result in additional capital costs.

· It does not meet current physical accessibility requirements.

· It is located in a flood plain.

Community engagement found that the facility

is well-used and a valued community asset.



Option 1: Status Quo

- \$1 million plus additional cost to remediate the leak issue (TBD)
- Maintain outdoor pool in current location and configuration while addressing required facility maintenance.
- Capital investment required to deal with most pressing issues identified in facility assessments, including prioritizing replacement of main drains and resolution of leak issue.
- Does not enhance leisure and wellness experiences.
- Maintains facility in flood plain.



Option 2: New Outdoor Pool co-located at the Comox Valley Aquatic Centre

- Estimated cost: \$12 million
- Enhanced accessibility features.
- Improved quality of outdoor aquatics.
- Requires Comox Valley Regional District approval and funding.
- Potential to capture carbon from neighboring community facilities.
- Locates multiple aquatic facilities at one centralized location.
- Does not include associated costs of decommissioning Outdoor Pool



Option 3: New Outdoor Pool at Existing Site

- Estimated Cost: \$18.2 million
- Feasibility of redevelopment in flood plain is to be determined through further study.
- Floodplain design impacts will likely result in increased capital costs and disruption to existing site and amenities.
- Improved quality of outdoor aquatics.
- Enhanced focus on leisure and wellness.
- Enhanced accessibility features.



Option 4: New Outdoor Pool at New Site

- Estimated Cost: \$16.6 million (does not include land cost)
- Improved quality of outdoor aquatics.
- Enhanced focus on leisure and wellness.
- Enhanced accessibility features.
- Additional complexity of securing land for facility (Land purchase not included in estimated cost).
- This option was not shown on the map because no location has been determined



Option 5: Closure of Outdoor Pool without replacement or relocation

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- Estimated cost: \$1 million for decommissioning (pending further study to confirm cost).
- Permanent closure of outdoor pool in Courtenay with no plans for redevelopment or relocation.
- Considerations for the site will be included in the Lewis Park planning.

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