





# **City Park Pool**

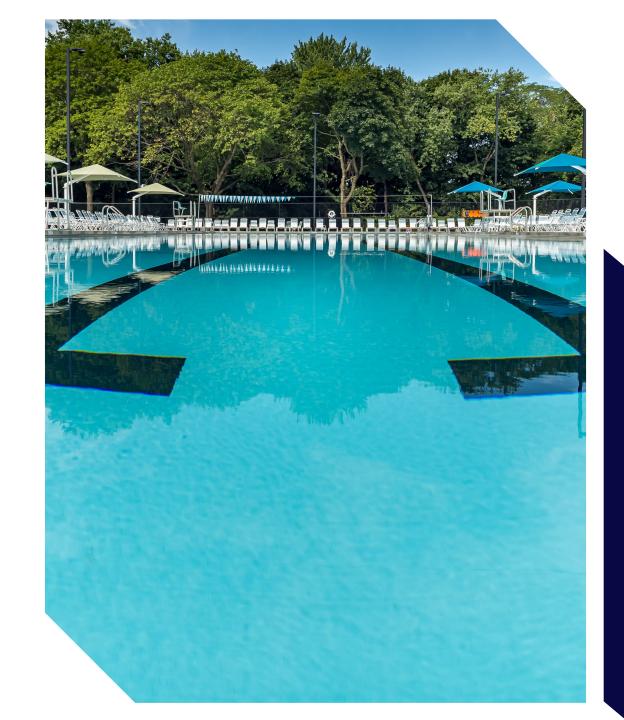
Conceptual Design Phase Presentation for the Parks & Recreation Commission and City Council

07 May 2024



# Agenda

- Introduction
- Existing Conditions Review
- City Council Action
- Public Input Summary
- Design Concepts
- Open House No. 2
- Survey
- Recommended Action
- Schedule / Next Steps



### **Today's Goals**

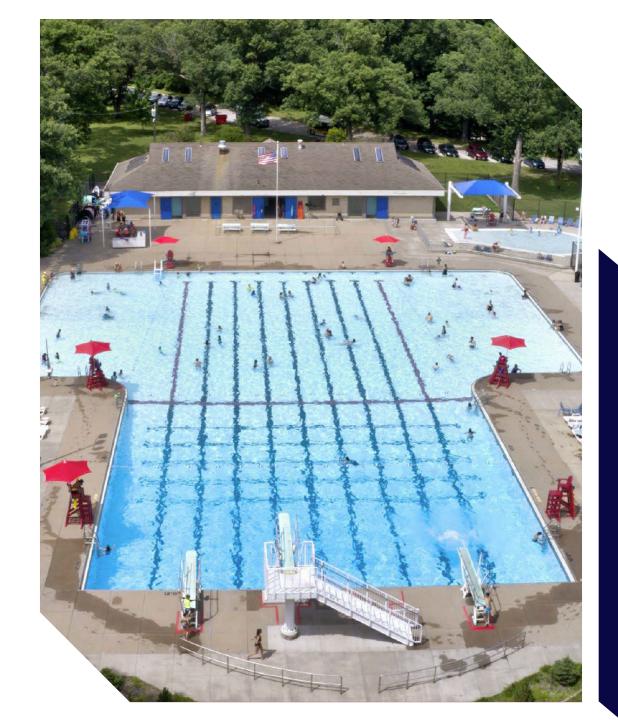
# Provide the Parks & Recreation Committee and City Council with information to...

 Understand community input, the development of design concepts & budgets, survey results; and recommendations for a new pool;

#### In order for City Council to...

- Approve a new pool design concept;
- Approve a project budget;
- And direct any additional project considerations

...at the next City Council meeting.





Meet the Experts!

### Your Project Team

#### **PROJECT LEAD**



**PUBLIC INPUT** 



#### **SURVEY**



Counsilman-Hunsaker (Aquatic Engineers) • Hitchcock Design Group (Landscape Architects)

IMEG (Civil & Structural Engineers)

Meet the Experts!

### Your Project Team



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COO / Managing Principal
WILLIAMS
ARCHITECTS



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Associate Principal / Project Manager
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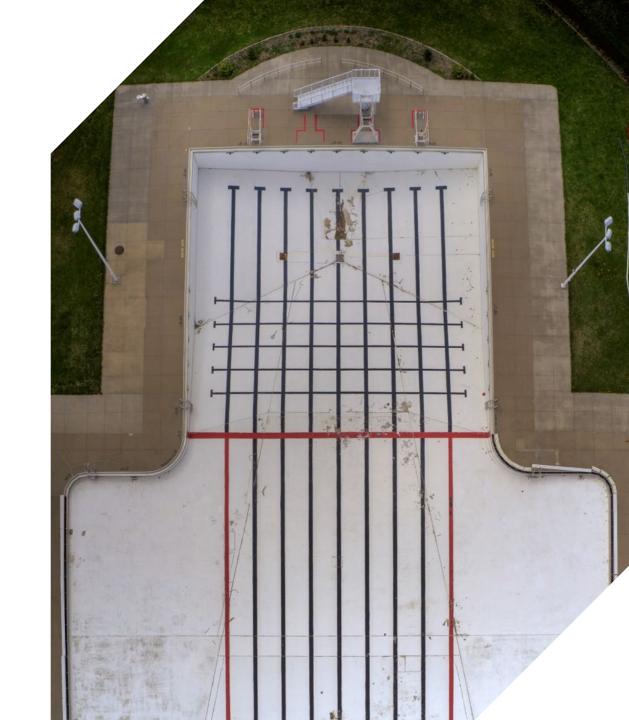
# **Project Goals**

- 1. Provide community recreation experiences for a wide range of users.
- 2. Provide increased independent accessibility to all water experiences.
- 3. Provide shade in several areas of the deck and some in the water areas.
- 4. Provide design and operating efficiencies that support the City of Iowa City climate action goals.
- Maximize efficiency of lifeguards.
- Promote the vision "Every child learns how to swim."
- 7. Welcome users of all backgrounds with specific attention to facility entry patterns, shower / changing and restroom design.
- 8. Evaluate the potential merging of the outdoor park restrooms and year-round recreation programming space into the swimming pool facility.
- 9. Limit the construction area generally within the fence line/site plan of the current pool.





# **Existing Conditions Review**



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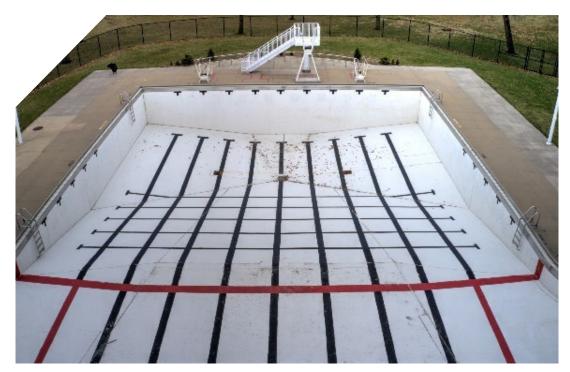
- Increasing annual water loss
- Deteriorated conditions found in pool basin
- Concern for long term structural integrity of pool walls
- Replacement of pool filtration, sanitation, and piping systems needed
- Outdated bathhouse in terms of safety, security, operational areas, and user amenities





#### Recommendation

- Williams Architects recommended <u>complete</u> <u>replacement of City Park Pool</u> with a new aquatic facility and bathhouse
- Repair of pool not recommended
  - Repair project would essentially equate to full replacement project due to poor existing condition of pool walls, basin, and operating systems
  - Money spent on repairs would not replace all site infrastructure, pool piping, or pool equipment, leaving these items needing to be addressed through additional projects in next 5-10 years
- A new aquatic facility would give community a chance to weigh in on how project goals would be met and provide a structure that would last long into future







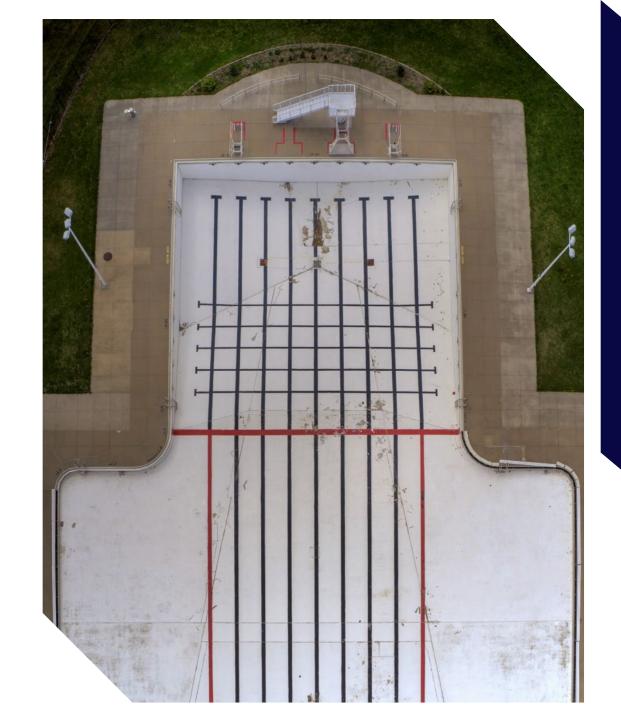


# **City Council Action**



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 Iowa City Council voted to approve the recommendation to replace City Park Pool and to begin the process of planning for a new pool







# Public Input Summary

#### WHAT DO YOU WANT TO SEE IN A NEW CITY PARK POOL DESIGN?





#### **UPCOMING PUBLIC INPUT OPPORTUNITIES**

#### VISIONING EVENTS

FRIDAY
OCT 27

2-4 p.m.

Mercer Park Aquatic Center

5:30-7:30 p.m.

Robert A. Lee Rec. Center

Learn about possible design elements and give your feedback.

#### FOCUS GROUPS

Sign up to be considered for one of several community focus groups that will provide input into the design.

Form available at: ICGOV.ORG/JUMPIN

Deadline to apply: 5 p.m., Monday, Oct. 30





### **Engagement Methods**

#### **TWO-STEP PROCESS**

#### **Step One**

- Open House No. 1
- Focus Groups

#### **Step Two**

- Conceptual Design
- Survey
- Open House No. 2



ICGOV.ORG/JUMPIN



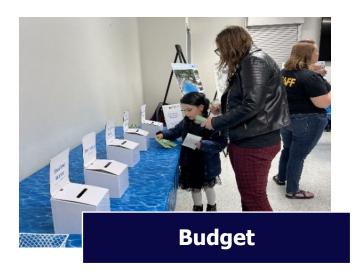




#### **Idea Generation Session**

## **Open House No. 1**











**Idea Generation Session** 

## **Focus Groups**



"This is the pool of my heart."

~Focus Group Participant





### **How We Listened...**

### **Community Input Touchpoints**

**495**Idea Generation
Participants

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**251** 

Online Idea Generation Submissions

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**137** 

Representative Focus Group Participants 4

44

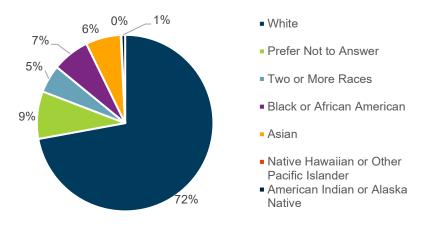
Electronic Focus
Group
Submissions

566 Feedback Touchpoints

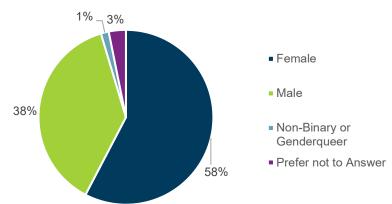
#### What We Heard

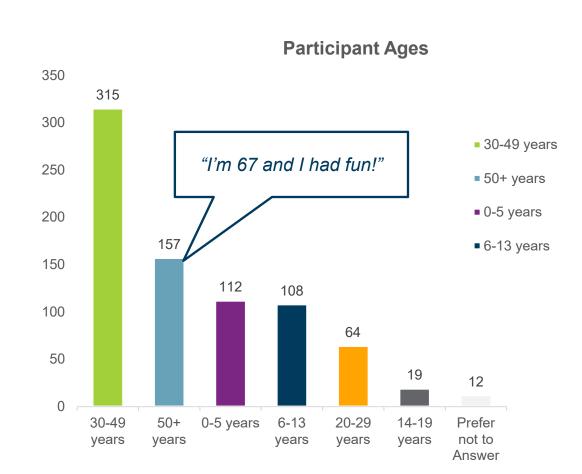
### Who We Heard From...

#### **Participant Race / Ethnicity**



#### **Participant Gender**





### **Design Considerations**



**Preserve** 

History

**Trees** 

Open Feel



**Focus** 

Learn to Swim

Multigenerational

Safety



**Avoid** 

Overlapping Functions

What We Learned

## **Top Amenities**



**Shade** 



**Lap Lanes** 

(both 50-meter & 25-yard)



**Diving Boards** 



**Expanded Kids Area** 

(Small, semi-isolated, serves ages 3-8 years)

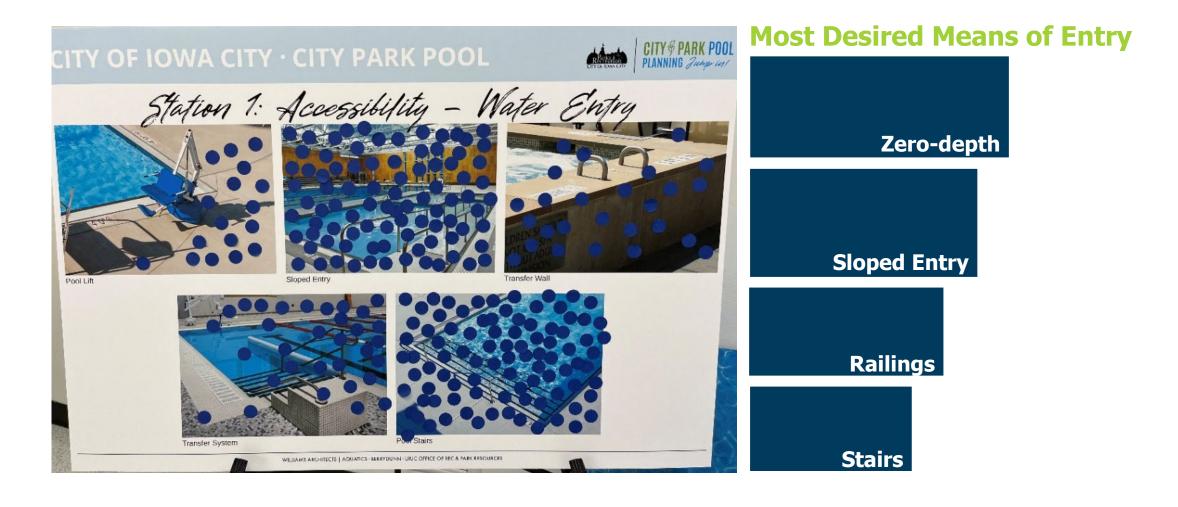
#### **Support Features**

**Bubblers/Jets** 

**Splash Pad** 

**Water Seating** 

# **Pool Entry & Accessibility**



#### What We Learned

### **Bathhouse Considerations**

#### **Locker & Changing Rooms**

- Non-gendered *and* gendered options
- Family/Group spaces
- Privacy

#### **User Experience Features**

- Direct access to pool deck
- Support features (hooks, seats, suit spinners)

#### **Multipurpose Room**

Conditional support: accepted so long as pool amenities not sacrificed





# **Design Concepts**



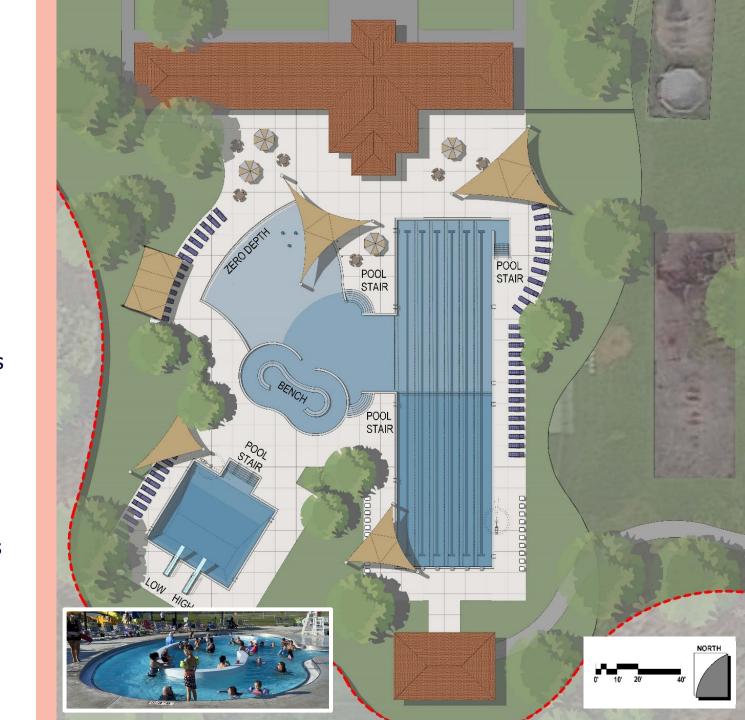
# **Comparison Factors**

	OPTION A FREE FORM ACTIVITY POOL	OPTION B THREE POOLS	OPTION C "L" SHAPED POOL	OPTION D ORIGINAL
COST				
BATHER LOAD				
WATER SAVINGS				
SEPARATE PROGRAM AREAS				
ACCESSIBLE ZERO-DEPTH ENTRY				
CHILDREN ACTIVITY AREA				
25 M LAP LANES				
50 M LAP LANES				
50 M LAP LANES AVAILABLE ALL DAY*				
LOW + HIGH DIVING BOARDS				
DECK SPACE FOR CHAIRS + SUNBATHING				
ADDITIONAL SHADE				
MINIMAL TREE IMPACT				
DESIGNED WITHIN CURRENT FENCE LINE				
NEW BATHHOUSE + MECHANICAL BUILDING				

#### **Option A**

### FREE FORM ACTIVITY POOL ATTACHED TO LAP POOL

- (6) 50-meter lap lanes in 3½ to 5-foot-deep water. Zero Depth entry through activity area and integrated accessible stair entry.
- Attached organically shaped zero-depth entry activity pool with depth up to 3½ feet. Includes current channel and other bubbler/spray features.
- Separate deep pool with low and high diving boards. Integrated accessible stair entry.
- Estimated 495,600 gallons of water volume (current City Park pool is 751,575 gallons). This is 34% less water than the current pool.
- Maximum Bather Load: 975
- Cost Estimate: \$18.39 Million



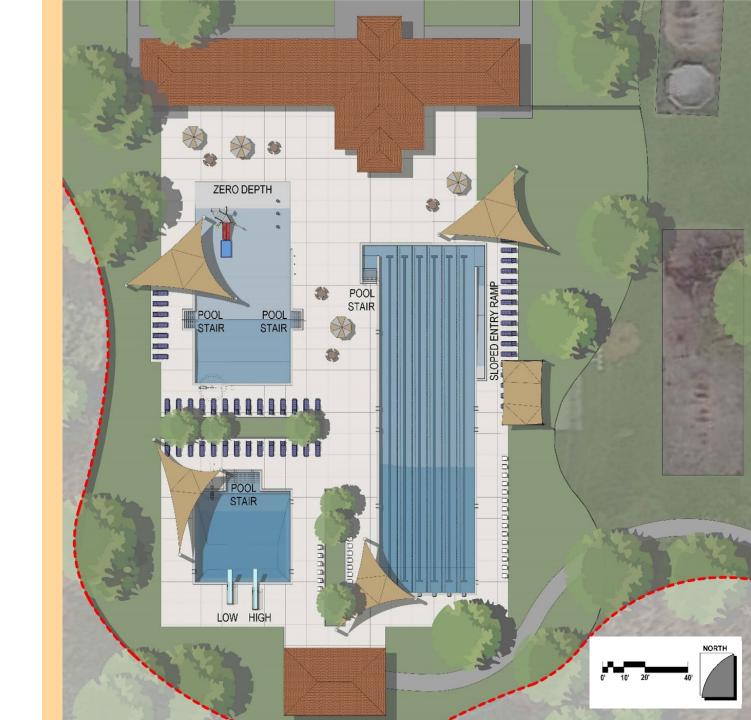
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COST	\$18.39 M			
BATHER LOAD	975			
WATER SAVINGS	34% Less 495,600 gallons			
SEPARATE PROGRAM AREAS	✓			
ACCESSIBLE ZERO-DEPTH ENTRY	✓			
CHILDREN ACTIVITY AREA	✓			
25 M LAP LANES	X			
50 M LAP LANES	6 Lanes (All 6 for 3-4.5 hrs/day)			
50 M LAP LANES AVAILABLE ALL DAY*	✓ 2-3 Lanes All Day*			
LOW + HIGH DIVING BOARDS	✓			
DECK SPACE FOR CHAIRS + SUNBATHING	✓			
ADDITIONAL SHADE	✓			
MINIMAL TREE IMPACT	✓			
DESIGNED WITHIN CURRENT FENCE LINE	✓			
NEW BATHHOUSE + MECHANICAL BUILDING	✓			

### **Option B**

#### **3 SEPARATE POOLS**

- Separate pool with (6) 50-meter lap lanes in 3½ to 5-foot-deep water. Integrated accessible sloped entry ramp & stair entry.
- Separate zero-depth entry activity pool with depth up to 3½ feet. Includes play structure and other bubbler/spray features.
- Separate deep pool with low and high diving boards. Integrated accessible stair entry.
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   This is 39% less water than the current pool.
- Maximum bather load: 881
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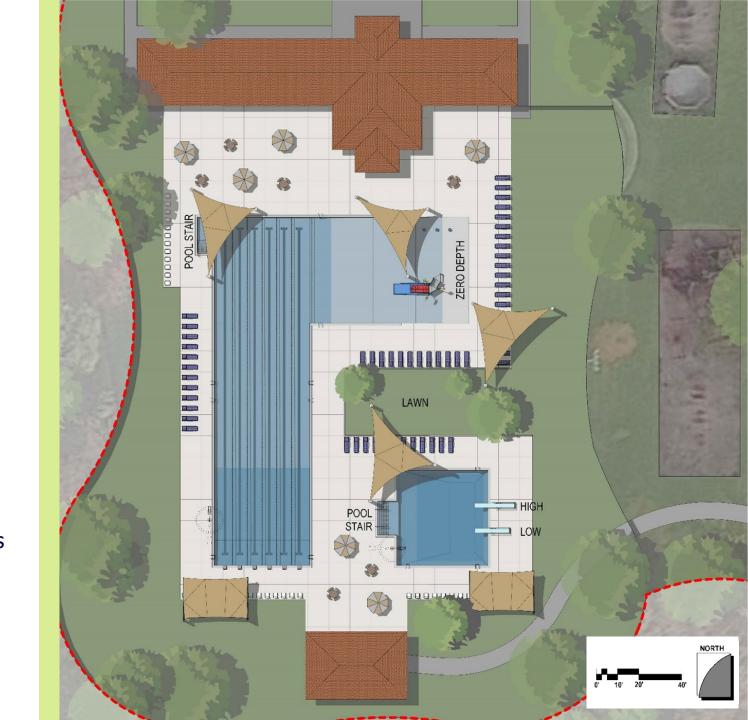
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COST	\$18.39 M	\$17.94 M		
BATHER LOAD	975	881		
WATER SAVINGS	34% Less 495,600 gallons	39% Less 458,555 gallons		
SEPARATE PROGRAM AREAS	✓	✓		
ACCESSIBLE ZERO-DEPTH ENTRY	✓	✓		
CHILDREN ACTIVITY AREA	✓	✓		
25 M LAP LANES	X	X		
50 M LAP LANES	6 Lanes (All 6 for 3-4.5 hrs/day)	6 Lanes (All 6 for 3-4.5 hrs/day)		
50 M LAP LANES AVAILABLE ALL DAY*	✓ 2-3 Lanes All Day*	✓ 2-3 Lanes All Day*		
LOW + HIGH DIVING BOARDS	✓	✓		
DECK SPACE FOR CHAIRS + SUNBATHING	✓	✓		
ADDITIONAL SHADE	✓	✓		
MINIMAL TREE IMPACT	✓	✓		
DESIGNED WITHIN CURRENT FENCE LINE	✓	✓		
NEW BATHHOUSE + MECHANICAL BUILDING	✓	✓		

#### **Option C**

### "L" SHAPED COMBINED LAP & ACTIVITY POOL

- (6) 50-meter lap lanes in 3½ to 5-foot-deep water. Zero Depth entry through activity area and integrated accessible stair entry.
- Attached rectangular zero-depth entry activity pool with depth up to 3½ feet. Includes play structure and other bubbler/spray features.
- Separate deep pool with low and high diving boards. Integrated accessible stair entry.
- Estimated 443,700 gallons of water volume (current City Park Pool is 751,575 gallons). This is 41% less water than the current pool.
- Maximum Bather Load: 825
- Cost Estimate: \$17.25 Million



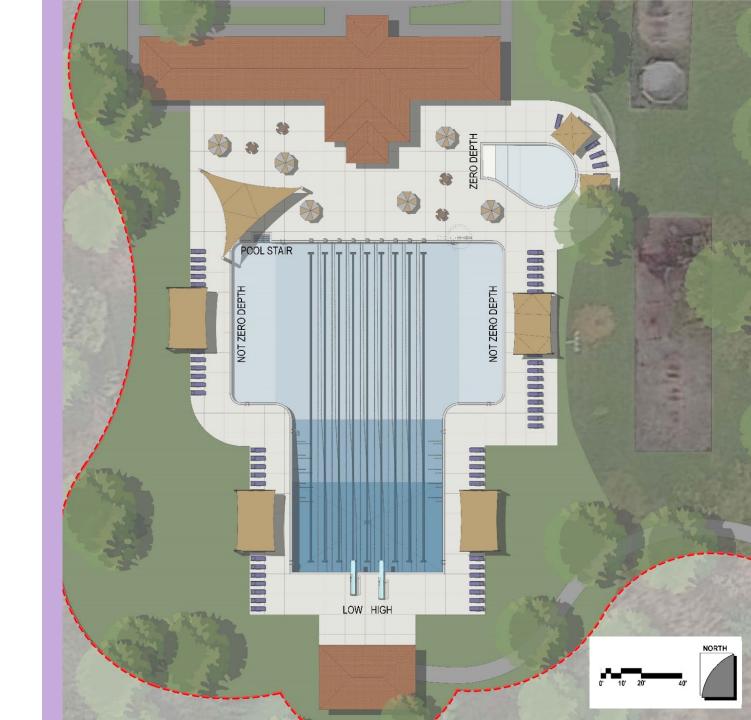
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COST	\$18.39 M	\$17.94 M	\$17.25 M	
BATHER LOAD	975	881	825	
WATER SAVINGS	34% Less 495,600 gallons	39% Less 458,555 gallons	41% Less 443,700 gallons	
SEPARATE PROGRAM AREAS	✓	✓	✓	
ACCESSIBLE ZERO-DEPTH ENTRY	✓	✓	✓	
CHILDREN ACTIVITY AREA	✓	✓	✓	
25 M LAP LANES	X	X	X	
50 M LAP LANES	6 Lanes (All 6 for 3-4.5 hrs/day)	6 Lanes (All 6 for 3-4.5 hrs/day)	6 Lanes (All 6 for 3-4.5 hrs/day)	
50 M LAP LANES AVAILABLE ALL DAY*	✓ 2-3 Lanes All Day*	✓ 2-3 Lanes All Day*	✓ 2-3 Lanes All Day*	
LOW + HIGH DIVING BOARDS	✓	✓	✓	
DECK SPACE FOR CHAIRS + SUNBATHING	✓	✓	✓	
ADDITIONAL SHADE	✓	✓	✓	
MINIMAL TREE IMPACT	✓	✓	✓	
DESIGNED WITHIN CURRENT FENCE LINE	✓	✓	✓	
NEW BATHHOUSE + MECHANICAL BUILDING	✓	✓	✓	

### **Option D**

### REPLACE POOL AND WADING POOL THE SAME AS CURRENT POOL

- (1) large pool with separate wading pool.
   (9) 50-meter lap lanes with (2) "wings" of shallow water. Lap Lane depth from 3½ to 13 feet deep. Diving Area within the lap lane area. Lap Lanes available during limited "lap swim" hours. Open for general swim the remainder of the day.
- Integrated accessible stair entry at large pool. No zero-depth entry at large pool.
   Small zero-depth entry at wading pool only.
- Estimated 751,575 gallons of water volume.
   This is the same as the current pool.
- Maximum Bather Load: 1,082
- Cost Estimate: \$19.56 Million



# **Comparison Factors**

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COST	\$18.39 M	\$17.94 M	\$17.25 M	\$19.56 M
BATHER LOAD	975	881	825	1,082
WATER SAVINGS	34% Less 495,600 gallons	39% Less 458,555 gallons	41% Less 443,700 gallons	751,572 gallons No water savings.
SEPARATE PROGRAM AREAS	✓	✓	✓	X
ACCESSIBLE ZERO-DEPTH ENTRY	✓	✓	✓	X
CHILDREN ACTIVITY AREA	✓	✓	✓	X
25 M LAP LANES	X	X	X	X Shared Open Swim
50 M LAP LANES	6 Lanes (All 6 for 3-4.5 hrs/day)	6 Lanes (All 6 for 3-4.5 hrs/day)	6 Lanes (All 6 for 3-4.5 hrs/day)	8-9 Lanes (3-4.5 Hours per Day)
50 M LAP LANES AVAILABLE ALL DAY*	✓ 2-3 Lanes All Day*	✓ 2-3 Lanes All Day*	✓ 2-3 Lanes All Day*	X
LOW + HIGH DIVING BOARDS	✓	✓	✓	✓
DECK SPACE FOR CHAIRS + SUNBATHING	✓	✓	✓	✓
ADDITIONAL SHADE	✓	✓	✓	✓
MINIMAL TREE IMPACT	✓	✓	✓	<b>✓</b>
DESIGNED WITHIN CURRENT FENCE LINE	✓	✓	✓	✓
NEW BATHHOUSE + MECHANICAL BUILDING	✓	✓	✓	✓



small classroom).







# Open House No. 2



# Open House No. 2 Summary

- Attendees were primarily lap swimmers associated with the "Back to the Future" Group
- Nearly all comments from this Open House were related to lap swimming
- Participant feedback on the options
  - "I like them all!"
  - "You've done a good job I'm happy with the options."
  - One expressed that they appreciated 50-Meter lanes in each option
  - The lack of symmetry was troublesome for more than one attendee









# Survey



City Park Pool is 75 years old and will be replaced with a new, more modern pool designed to meet Iowa City residents' needs (all ages, activity needs, and preferences). We invite you to provide input on the proposed pool designs, programs, and activities for the new City Park Pool. Please take a few minutes to complete this survey.

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# **Background, Purpose, and Methods**

- 30,544 households in Iowa City (American Community Survey, 2022)
- A stratified random sample of 6,000 residents asked to complete an online survey in late February to early March
- The survey questions assessed interest in:
  - Four pool designs
  - Programs and activities
  - Demographics



### **Survey Methods**

- Mailed a postcard with QR Code & link to the online survey
  - Unforeseen issue: English QR code was inoperable but the other 4 QR codes worked
  - Second mailing sent 5 days later with a fixed and usable code
  - Survey still available to all residents via a public access QR Code while 2<sup>nd</sup> mailing was in production
  - No measurable effect on the response rate from this issue



#### We look forward to feedback by Friday, March 8

Oops! The issue with the English Survey QR Code is fixed. Please take the survey if you haven't yet

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English:	Español	Mandarin Arabic		French
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Sincerely, Juli Seydell Johnson Parks and Recreation Director

### **Survey Methods & Data Collection**

- The survey was available in English, Spanish, French, Mandarin, and Arabic
  - Responses: Spanish (N=24), French (N=9), Mandarin (N=3), Arabic (N=4)
- The sample was stratified by race/ethnicity people from diverse race/ethnic groups were oversampled
  - Stratification involved ensuring the random sample of 6,000 closely reflected the race/ethnicity of Iowa City households
  - Research indicates people from Latino/Hispanic and Black/African American groups are significantly less likely to complete mailed surveys
- Thus, it is important to over-sample residents who identify as members of diverse racial/ethnic groups

### **Survey Questions**

- Zip code and address (to ensure membership in stratified random sample)
- Pool use frequency
- Days of week most likely to visit City Park Pool
- Activities done at the pool
- Demographic questions
  - Age
  - Gender
  - Race/ethnicity
  - Presence of children under 18 in households (yes/no)

#### PLEASE COMPLETE THE SURVEY BY MARCH 8



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Please take a few minutes to complete the following survey. This survey should ta you about 5 minutes to complete. Please consider the views of your whole housel answering these questions. You can access the survey here:

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Thank you for your input!

Sincerely

Juli Seydell Johnson Parks and Recreation Director 1. What is your ZIP code?

2. What is your street address (for example: 101 S Smith St)? No city or state is needed

3.	During the summer, on average	je, how often do	you and/or	members of	your household
	visit City Park Pool?				

1-3 times per month Once per week

\_\_ 2-3 times per week

4-5 times per week More than 5 times per week

4. What types of activities do you and members of your household do when you visit City Park Pool? Please check all that apply.

\_ Lap Swimming

Water Fitness Classes Water Walking

Sunbathing \_\_ Wading Pool

5. Generally, what days of the week do you prefer to do the activities you checked in the question above

None of these Activities (skip Q5 & Q7)

Other Activities: (please explain):

\_\_ It varies depending on my/my household's schedules

6. We would like your input on four design options for the future City Park Pool. All four of the new pool designs will:

- Have shade structures.
- . Be constructed within the fence line of the current City Park Pool.
- Be of similar cost

### **Preferences for Pool** Designs A, B, C, & D

#### **Interest in Designs A, B, C & D**

- **Question:** How interested are you and members of your household in seeing Option B as the final design for the replacement of City Park Pool? Please check the box that matches your interest level.
- Measured on a 7-point scale where:
  - 1 = Very Uninterested
  - 2 = Uninterested
  - 3 = Somewhat Uninterested
  - 4 = Neither Uninterested or Interested
  - 5 = Somewhat Interested
  - 6 = Interested
  - 7 = Very Interested



6b. Pool Design Option B - 3 Separate Pools

- Separate pool with six 50-meter lap lanes in 3 1/2 to 5 feet deep water. Integrated accessible sloped entry ramp & stair entry. Will allow for additional lap swim time since 2-3 lap lanes would likely be available during all open swim hours. Lap lanes are of a depth for both swimming, water walking and aqua fitness.
- . Separate zero-depth entry activity pool with depth up to 3 1/2 feet. Includes play structure and other bubbler/spray features.
- · Separate deep pool with low and high diving boards. Integrated accessible stair
- . Separate pools will allow for more options with programming throughout the day as each pool may be opened, closed or programmed independently from the others.
- . Separate pools will allow each to operate independently. If one pool needs to be closed for repairs or cleaning, the other two could remain open.
- Estimated 458,555 gallons of water volume (current City Park Pool is 751,575 gallons). This is 39% less water than the current pool.
- Maximum bather load: 881

\_\_\_ Very Uninterested

Cost Estimate: \$17.94 million

How interested are you and members of your household in seeing Option B as the final design for the replacement of City Park Pool? Please check the box that matches your

_	Very Interested
_	Interested
_	Somewhat Interested
	Neither Interested nor Uninterested
	Somewhat Uninterested
	Uninterested

# Preferences for Pool Designs A, B, C, & D

Ranking Designs A, B, C & D

• **Question:** Please rank the four pool designs in order of your preference with your top preference noted with a "1", your second preferences noted with a "2", third preference noted with a "3", and fourth preference noted with a "4".

Please write the number into the box below that corresponds with your ranked preferences from 1 to 4. Above is a quick reference chart that shows facility features and amenities for all four pool designs (A-D).

- \_\_\_\_ Option A Free Form Activity Pool attached to Lap Pool
- \_\_\_\_ Option B 3 Separate Pools
- \_\_\_\_ Option C "L" Shaped Combined Lap & Activity Pool
- \_\_\_\_ Option D Replace Pool and Wading Pool the Same Design as the Current Pool
- Options A D were presented in random order to respondents to avoid response bias

### **Response Rates and Sample Description**

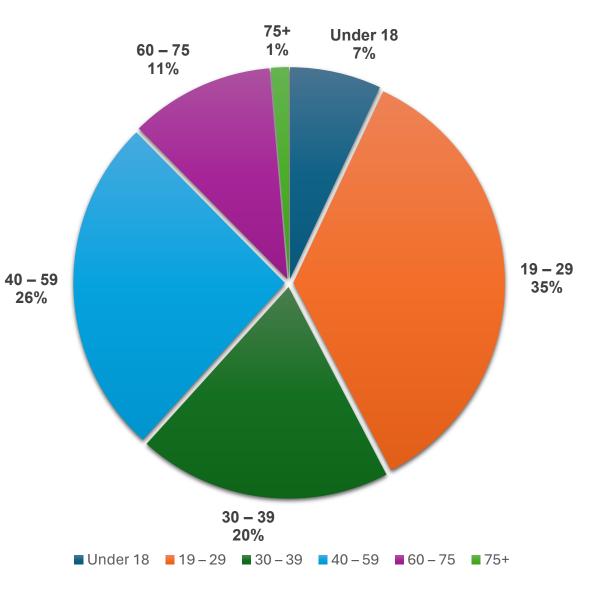
- 6,000 addresses -1,400 (moved or returned mail) = 4,600
  - Response Rate = 9.8% response rate
  - N = 449

• 95% Confidence means there is +/- 5% or less error in the responses



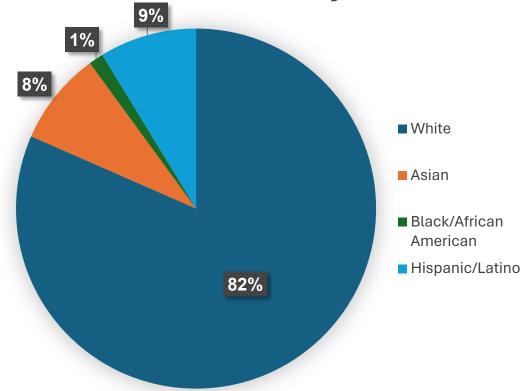
### **Age & Gender**

- **Mean Age** = 38.22
  - Standard Deviation = 15.16
- Gender:
  - 74.25% Female (common for household surveys)
  - 18.26% Male
  - 5.8% Prefer Not to Answer
  - Almost 1% Non-binary

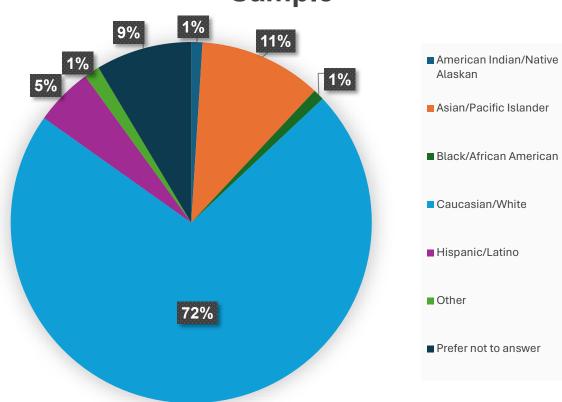


### Race / Ethnicity



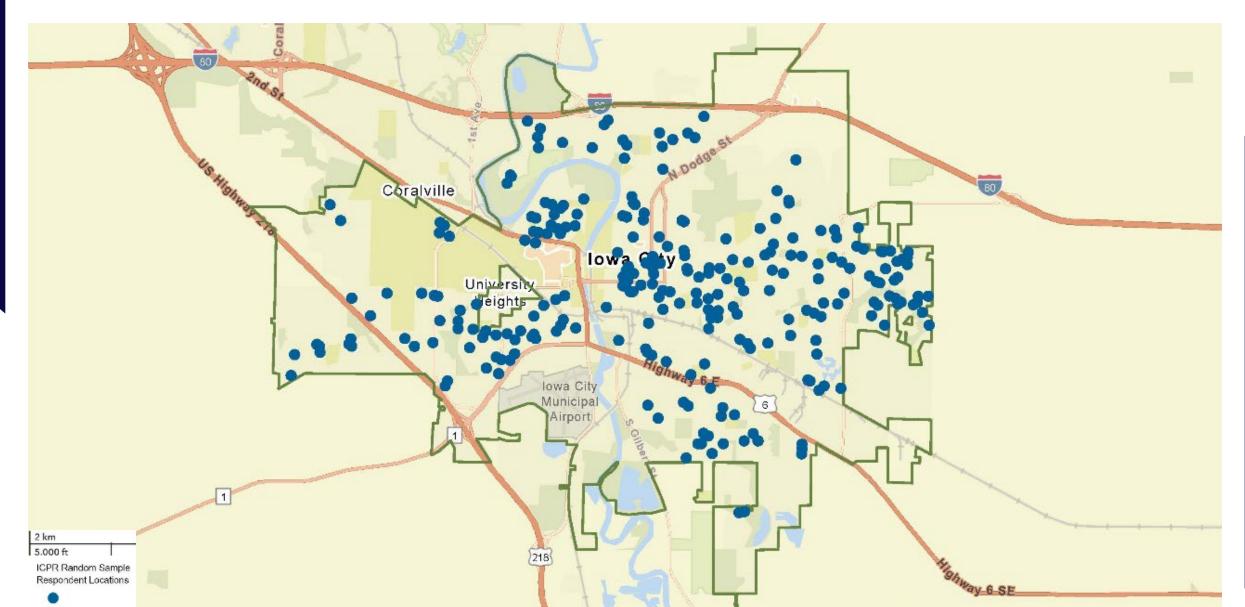


### RACE / Ethnicity (Percentage) Sample



(American Community Survey, 2023)

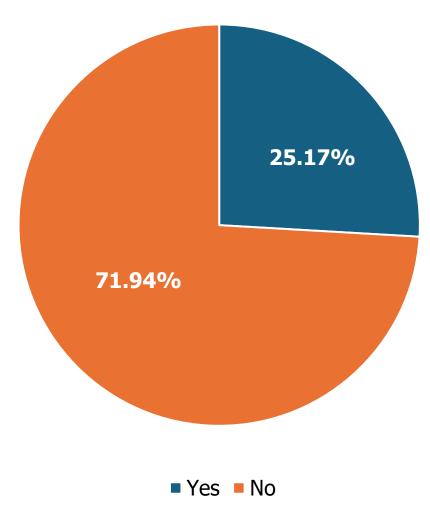
### **Spatial Spread of Survey Responses Across Iowa City**



### Demographics: Children Under 18 in the Household (Yes/No)

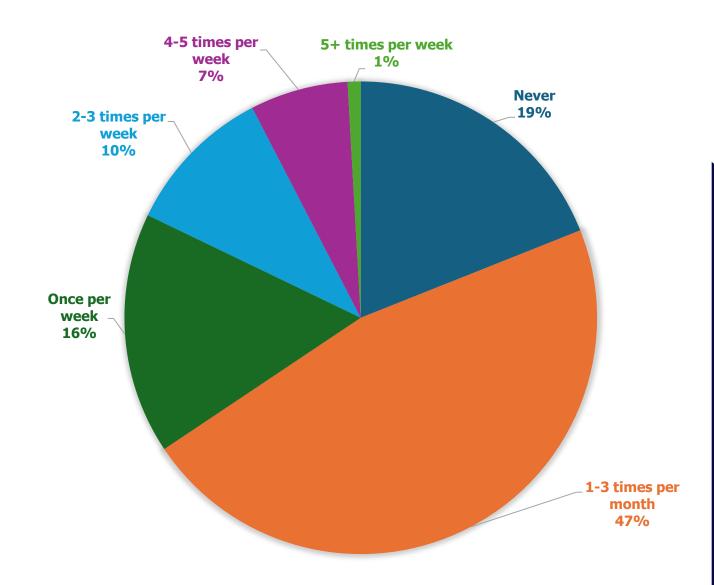
 More than two-thirds (i.e., 72%) of respondents indicated they do not have a child under the age of 18 living in the household





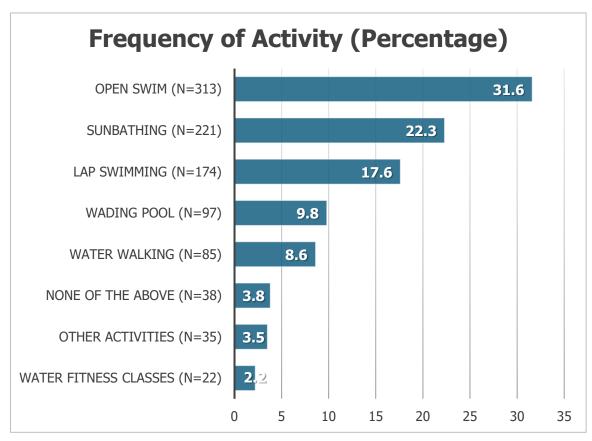
# Frequency of Visiting City Park Pool

- Almost half of the sample (47%)
  reported they visit the pool 1-3 times
  per month
- 19% are non-users of City Park Pool
- 18% visit once per week
- 10% visit 2-3 times per week
- 8% visit 4+ times per week



# Pool Activities Engaged in by Respondents Frequence

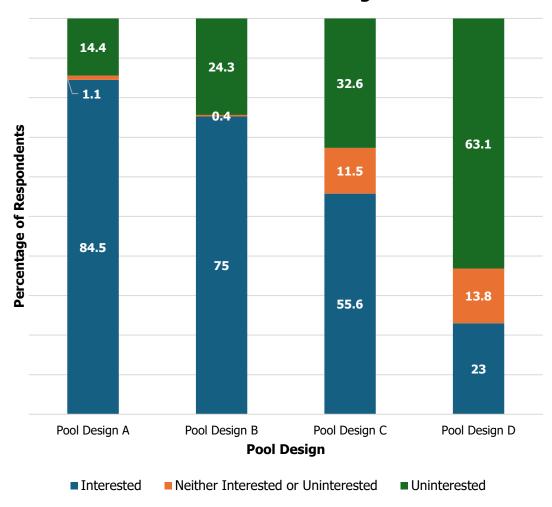
- Swimming is the most common activity (31.6%)
- Sunbathing (22.3%) and lap swimming (17.6%) are also frequent activities
- Fitness, non of the above, and water walking are engaged in less frequently



# **Interest Levels of Each Pool Design**

- Most respondents indicated they were interested in seeing Pool Design A (84%)
- There was also strong interest in Pool Design B (75%)
- Only 23% of residents were interested in seeing Pool Design D

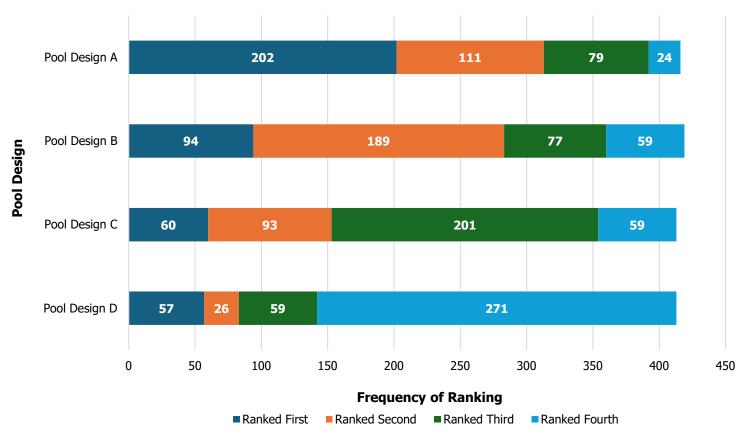
#### **Interest in Pool Design**



# **Pool Rankings: All Designs**

- Nearly 50% of people ranked Pool Design A as their First Choice
- The second most popular design was Pool Design B with 22% ranking it first
- Pool Design D was consistently ranked last (66%)





### **Open-Ended Question Themes:**

#### **Please Share Additional Views on City Park Pool**

- Survey open-ended feedback is aligned with the first round of community input
  - Open House Events in late Fall 2023
- Infrastructure needs and preferences:
  - Heated Pool
  - More Shade
  - Play features
  - 25- and 50-meter lap lanes
- Family Friendly Play Areas
  - Play features and spaces for water play
  - Child friendly spaces
  - "A more inviting pool for all ages and activities"

- City Park Pool means a lot to us/our family
- Separate lap lanes (with lane lines)
- Zero Depth Entry
- Many respondents commented on their preference for Pool Design A

### **Conclusions**

- Overall respondents indicated the highest interest in Pool Design A
- There is moderate interest in Pool Design B
- There is much less interest in Pool Designs C and D, with respondents being the least interested in Pool Design D
- Similar results were received from the open survey (N= 1,133)



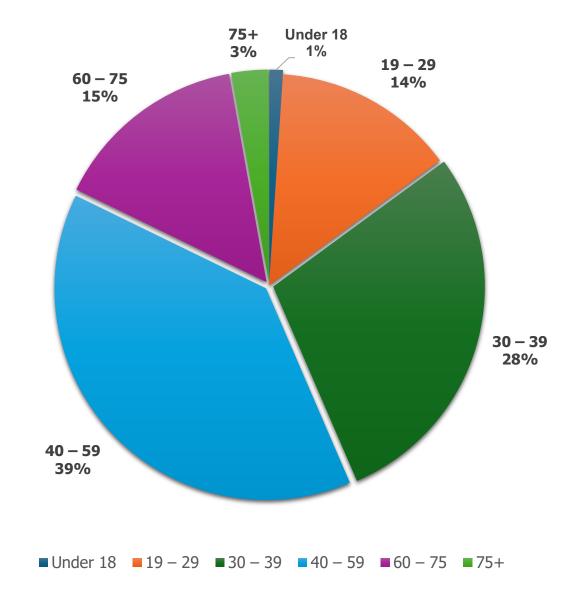
### **Open Survey Sample**

- A total of 1,133 valid responses from the "open" survey (available to the general public)
- The open survey was available in English, Spanish, French, Mandarin, and Arabic
  - Responses:
    - Spanish (N=15)
    - French (N=7)
    - Mandarin (N=2)
    - Arabic (N=2)



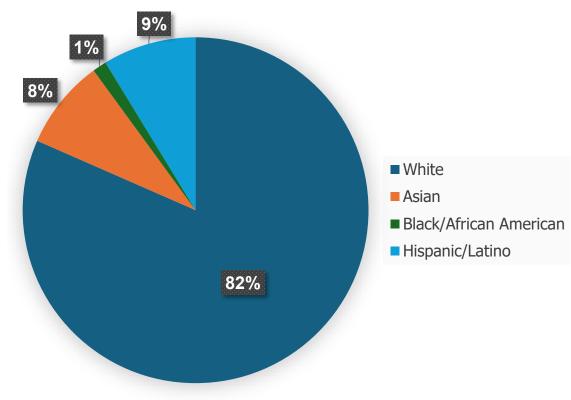
# Age & Gender – Open Sample

- **Mean Age** = 44.24
  - Standard Deviation = 14.79
- Gender:
  - 71.2% Female (common for household surveys)
  - 24% Male
  - 2.6% Prefer not to answer
  - 1.8% Non-binary



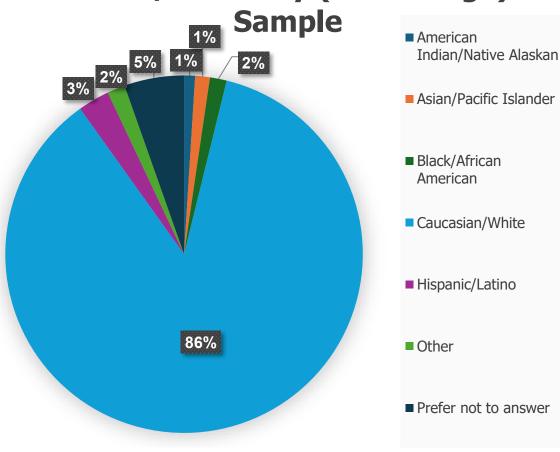
### Race / Ethnicity

## Race / Ethnicity Iowa City



(American Community Survey, 2023)

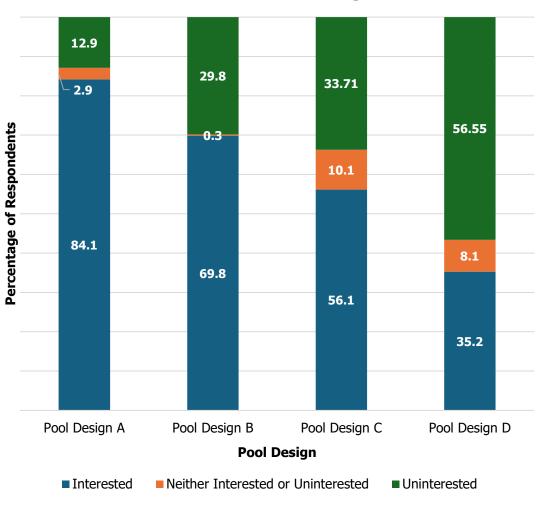
### **RACE / Ethnicity (Percentage)**



# Interest Levels of Each Pool Design — Open Survey Sample

- Most respondents indicated they were interested in seeing Pool Design A (84%)
- There was also strong interest in Pool Design B (70%)
- Only 35% of residents were interested in seeing Pool Design D

#### **Interest in Pool Design**



# **Conclusions: Both Samples**

(Open and Stratified Random Sample)

- Overall respondents indicated the highest interest in Pool Design A
- There is moderate interest in Pool Design B
- There is much less interest in Pool Designs C and D, with respondents being the least interested in Pool Design D







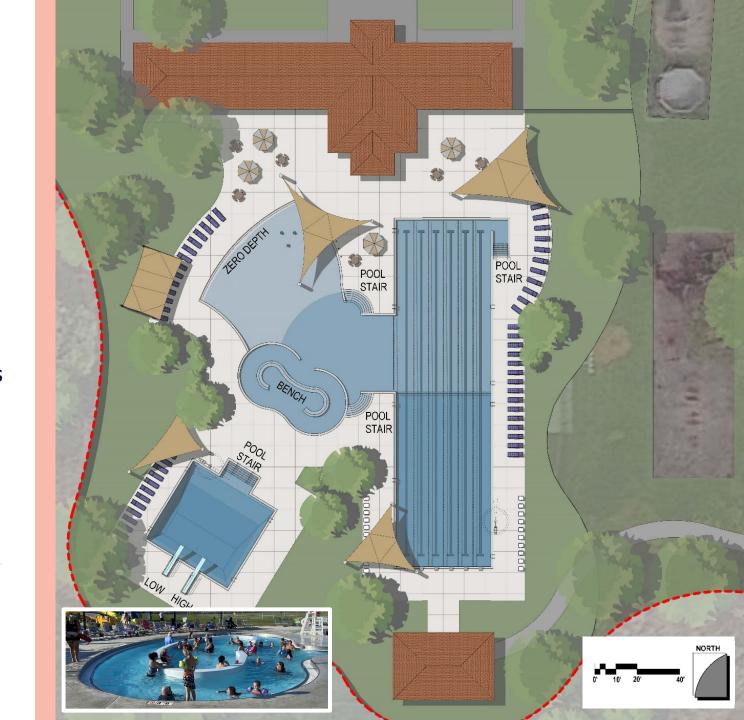
# Recommended Action



## **Option A is Recommended**

### FREE FORM ACTIVITY POOL ATTACHED TO LAP POOL

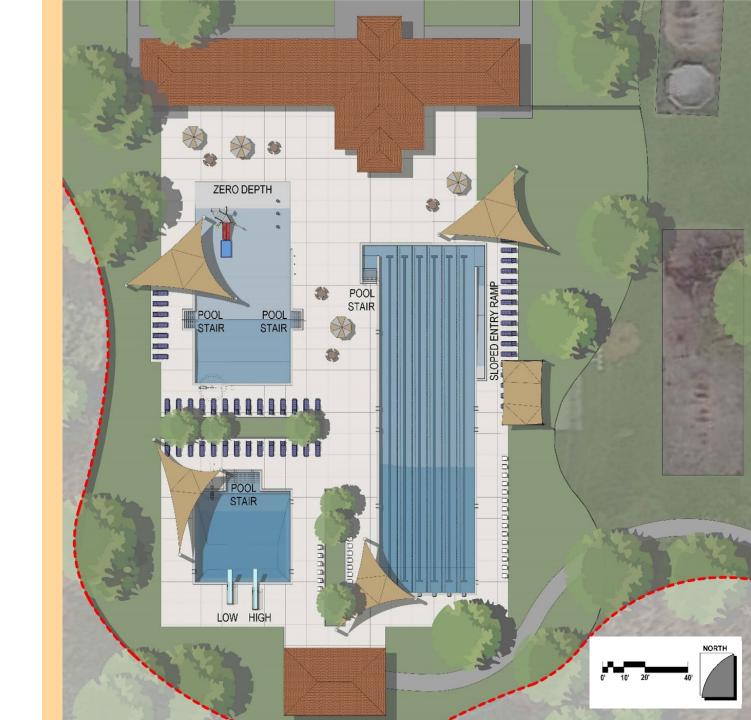
- (6) 50-meter lap lanes in 3½ to 5-foot-deep water. Zero Depth entry through activity area and integrated accessible stair entry.
- Attached organically shaped zero-depth entry activity pool with depth up to 3½ feet. Includes current channel and other bubbler/spray features.
- Separate deep pool with low and high diving boards. Integrated accessible stair entry.
- Estimated 495,600 gallons of water volume (current City Park pool is 751,575 gallons). This is **34% less water** than the current pool.
- Maximum Bather Load: 975
- Cost Estimate: \$18.39 Million



## **Option B Considerations**

#### **3 SEPARATE POOLS**

- Separate pool with (6) 50-meter lap lanes in 3½ to 5-foot-deep water. Integrated accessible sloped entry ramp & stair entry.
- Separate zero-depth entry activity pool with depth up to  $3\frac{1}{2}$  feet. Includes play structure and other bubbler/spray features.
- Separate deep pool with low and high diving boards. Integrated accessible stair entry.
- Estimated 458,555 gallons of water volume (current City Park Pool is 751,575 gallons).
   This is 39% less water than the current pool.
- Maximum bather load: 881
- Cost estimate: \$17.94 Million



### **Additional Considerations**

#### 1. Include (2) additional 50-Meter lap lanes:

- Revise from (6) to (8) 50-Meter lanes
- Adds \$850,000, 75,097 gallons of water, and expands fence line 14 feet to the East which may impact trees and playground. Will require additional lifeguards.

#### 2. 25-Yard lane considerations:

- All options have a rope halfway in 50-Meter pool to provide 25-Meter lanes
- Enlarge deep hopper to (4) 25-Yard lanes
- Adds \$650,000, 2,379 gallons of water, fits within fence line

#### 3. If cost saving are desired:

- Exchange current channel for play feature
- Fewer lap lanes
- Revise layout







# Schedule / Next Steps



### **Next Steps**

**COUNCIL APPROVAL** 

**MAY 2024** 

#### **DESIGN**

**JUNE 2024 – JAN. 2025** 

- Schematic Design
- Design Development
- Construction Documents
- Permitting

#### BIDDING & CONTRACTS FEB. 2025 – MAR. 2025

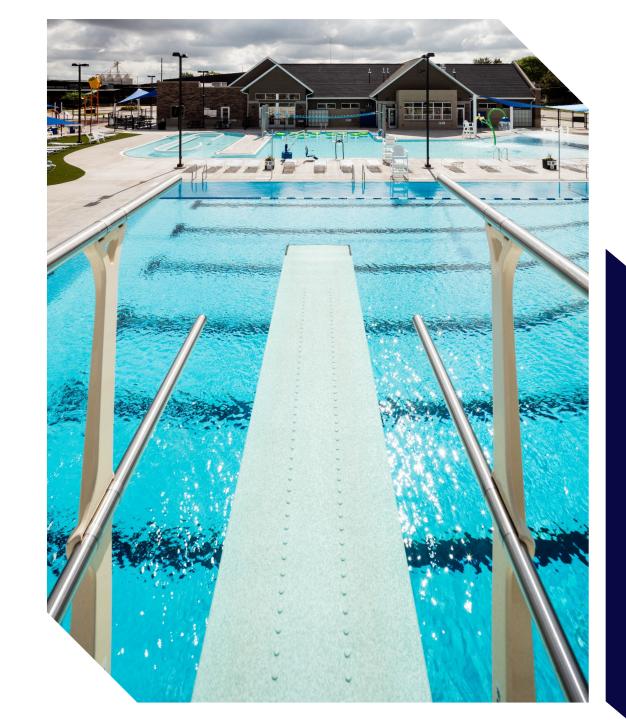
- Bid Documents Issued to Potential Bidders
- Pre-Bid Meeting & RFI Responses
- Bids Received & Meetings with Potentially Low Bidders
- Bid Award Recommendations
- Owner / Contractor Contract

**CONSTRUCTION** 

**APRIL 2025 – APRIL 2026** 

**GRAND OPENING** 

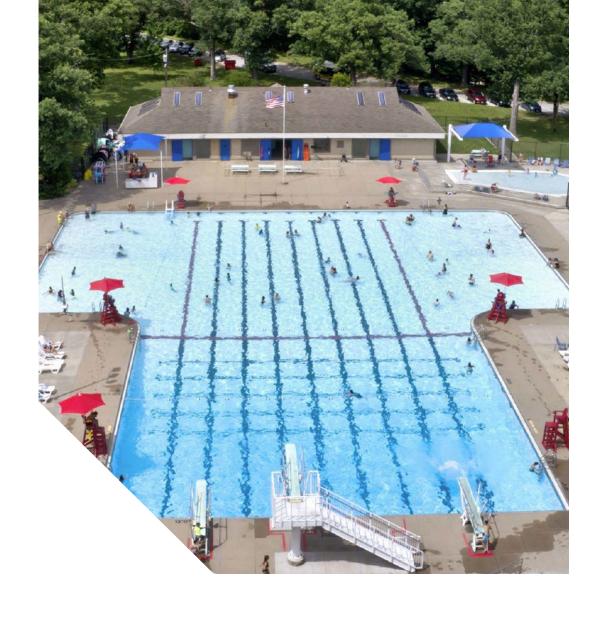
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### **Thank You!**





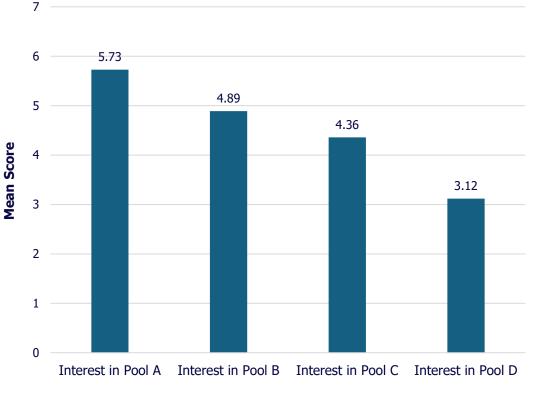




# **Mean Interest Rating**

- Respondents are:
  - Most interested in Pool Design A
  - Also interested (though less than A) in Pool Designs B and C
  - Respondents did not indicate strong interest in Pool Design D

#### **Mean Interest Level in Pool Designs**



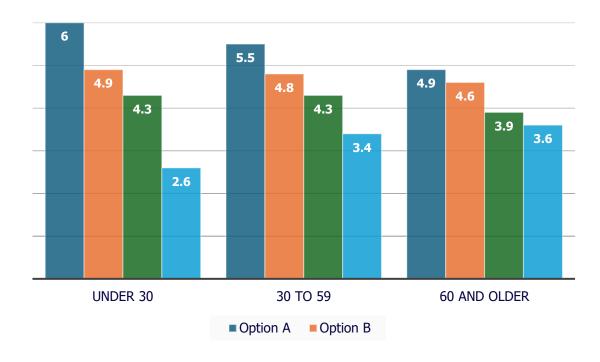
#### **Pool Design**

Interest pool items were rated 1-7 with 1 being 'Very Uninterested' and 7 being 'Very Interested' with 4 representing neither 'interested nor uninterested'

# Interest in Pool Design by Age Group

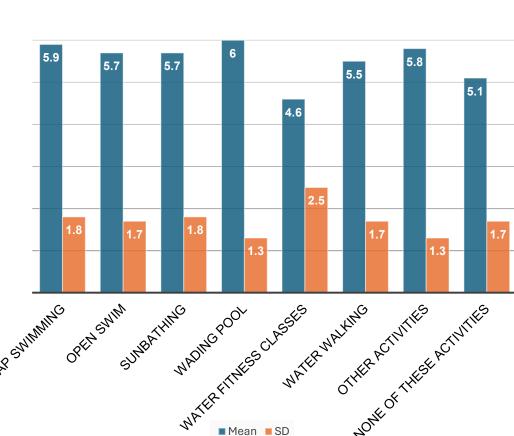
- Even accounting for age group, respondents across all age groups are most interested in Pool Design A, followed by Pool Design B
- The difference in interest level between A and B diminishes among the 60 and older age group

#### **Age - Pool Interest (Means)**



# **Interest Levels by Activities for Design A**

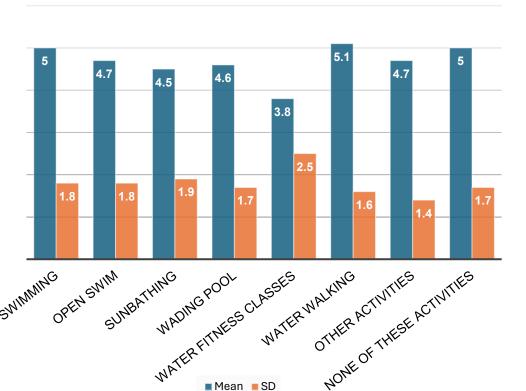
- Across activity types, there is high interest in Pool Design A
- Interest pool items were rated 1-7 with 1 being 'Very Uninterested' and 7 being 'Very Interested' with 4 representing neither 'interested nor uninterested'



**OPTION A** 

# **Interest Levels by Activities for Design B**

- There is moderate interest in Pool Design B by activity type, although it is lower for those interested in water fitness classes
- Interest pool items were rated 1-7 with 1 being 'Very Uninterested' and 7 being 'Very Interested' with 4 representing neither 'interested nor uninterested'

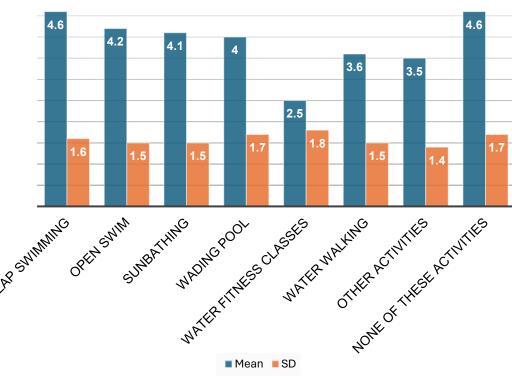


**OPTION B** 

# **Interest Levels by Activities for Design C**

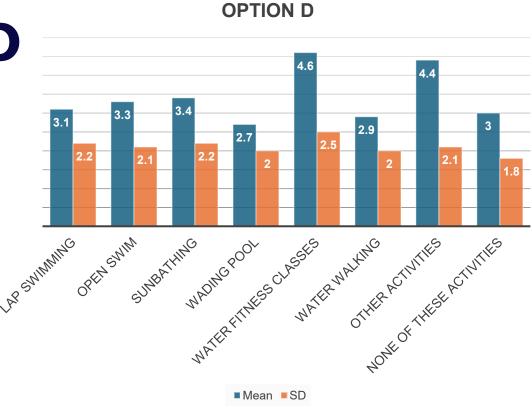
- There is much lower interest in Pool Design C across activities (lower interest than A and B)
- Interest pool items were rated 1-7 with 1 being 'Very Uninterested' and 7 being 'Very Interested' with 4 representing neither 'interested nor uninterested'



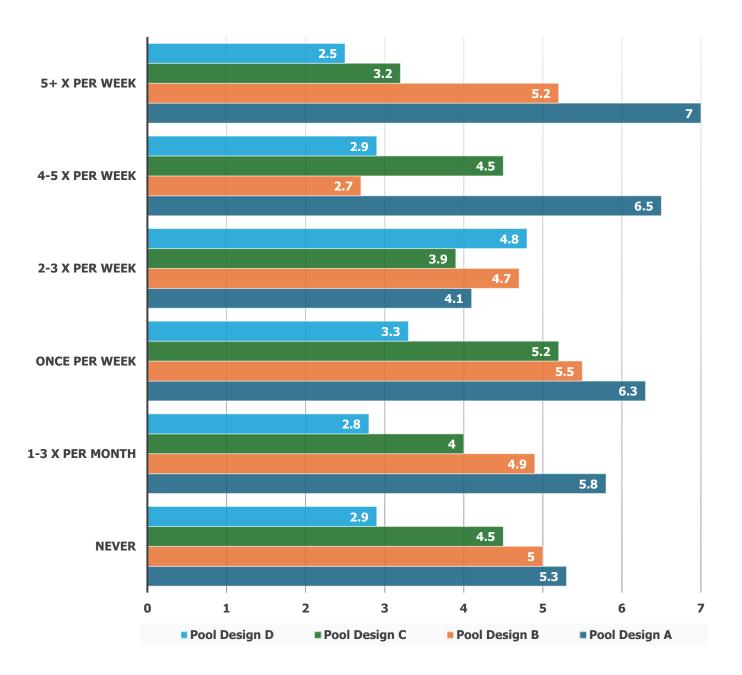


# **Interest Levels by Activities for Design D**

- Looking across activity types, there is relatively low interest in Pool Design D
- Interest pool items were rated 1-7 with 1 being 'Very Uninterested' and 7 being 'Very Interested' with 4 representing neither 'interested nor uninterested'



# Mean Interest in Pool Design by Visitation



# **Gender of Respondents**

- 74.25% Female (common for household surveys)
- 18.26% Male
- 5.8 % Prefer Not to Answer
- Almost 1% Non-binary

#### **Gender of Respondents (Percentage)**

