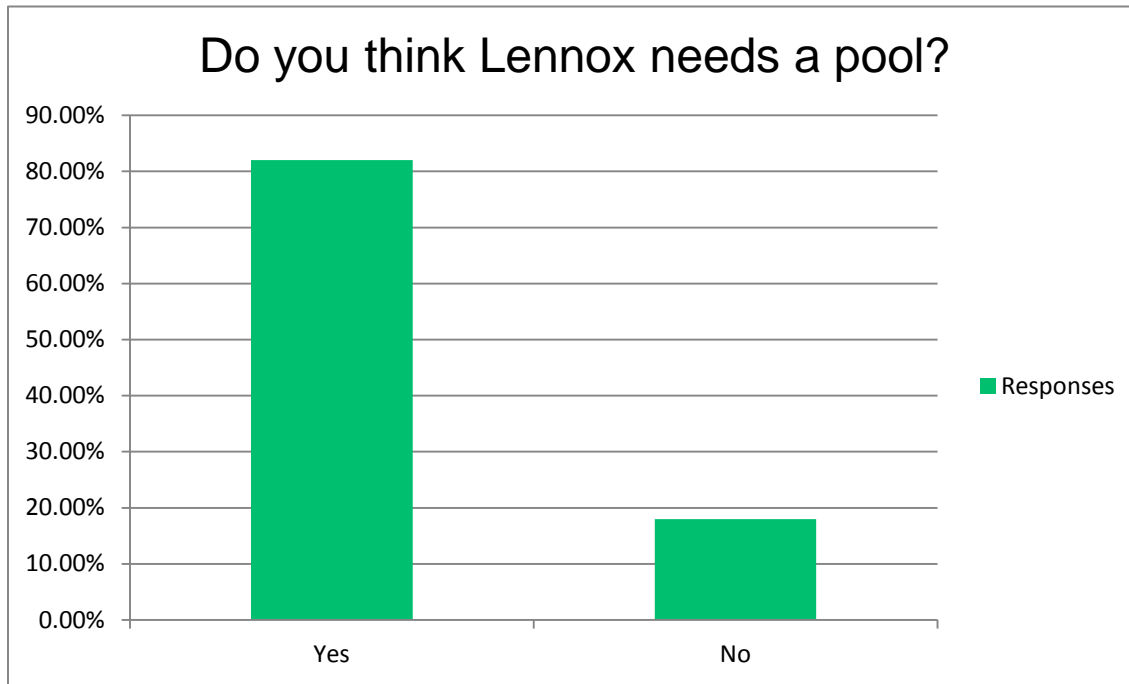


Do you think Lennox needs a pool?

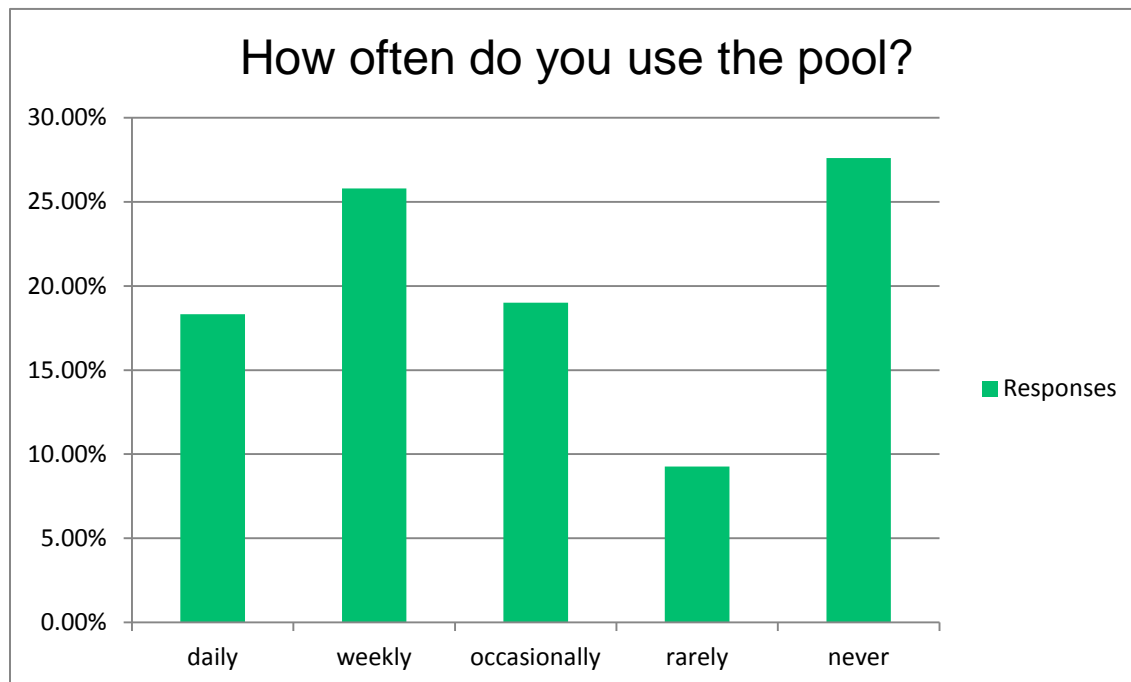
| Answer Choices | Responses | |
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| Yes | 81.99% | 387 |
| No | 18.01% | 85 |

Answered 472



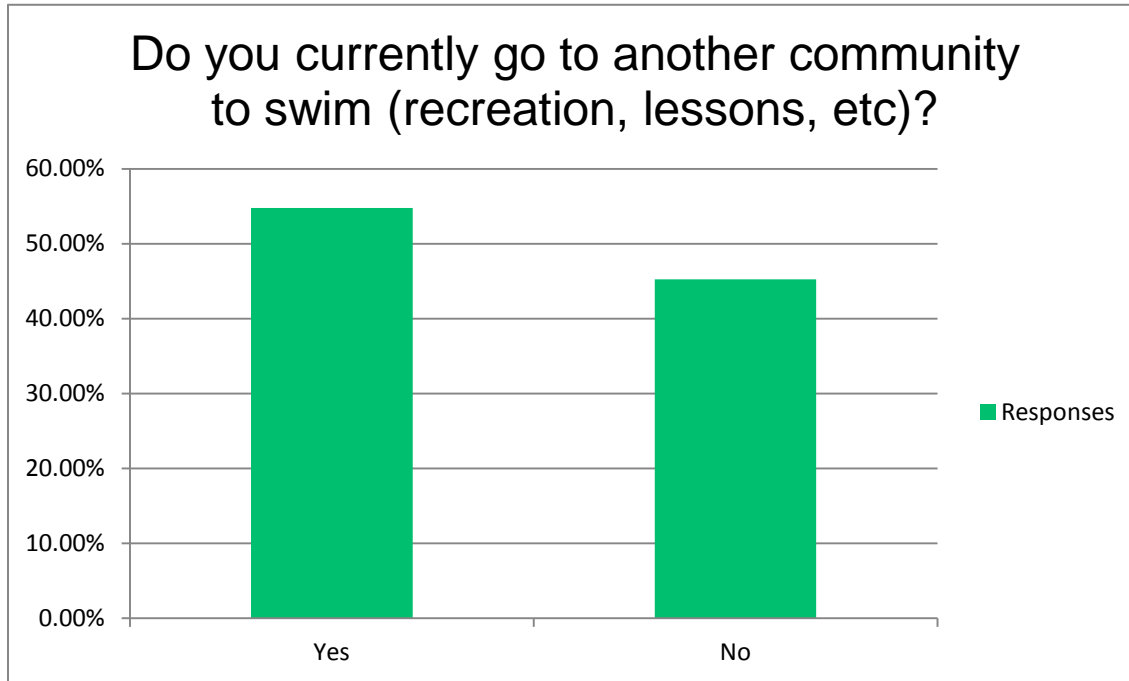
How often do you use the pool?

| Answer Choices | Responses | |
|----------------|-----------|-----|
| daily | 18.33% | 81 |
| weekly | 25.79% | 114 |
| occasionally | 19.00% | 84 |
| rarely | 9.28% | 41 |
| never | 27.60% | 122 |
| Answered | | 442 |



Do you currently go to another community to swim (recreation, lessons, etc)?

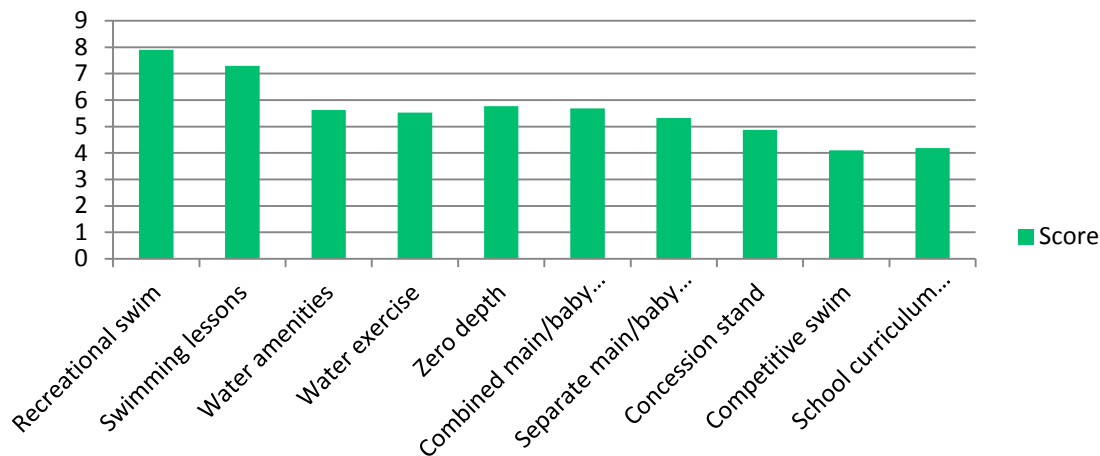
| Answer Choices | Responses | |
|----------------|-----------|-----|
| Yes | 54.76% | 230 |
| No | 45.24% | 190 |
| Answered | | 420 |



What activities/options would you like to see offered at the facility? (Rank 1-10 with 1

| | 1 | | 2 | |
|---|--------|-----|--------|-----|
| Recreational swim | 49.40% | 124 | 15.54% | 39 |
| Swimming lessons | 17.10% | 46 | 40.52% | 109 |
| Water amenities | 0.46% | 1 | 5.56% | 12 |
| Water exercise | 2.14% | 5 | 5.13% | 12 |
| Zero depth | 8.56% | 19 | 4.05% | 9 |
| Combined main/baby (splash park) | 6.79% | 15 | 7.24% | 16 |
| Separate main/baby pool (splash park) | 5.26% | 12 | 11.40% | 26 |
| Concession stand | 2.12% | 5 | 2.97% | 7 |
| Competitive swim | 10.09% | 22 | 5.05% | 11 |
| School curriculum (math/science/health) | 12.71% | 30 | 3.81% | 9 |

What activities/options would you like to see offered at the facility? (Rank 1-10 with 1 being the most important)



being the most important)

| | 3 | | 4 | | 5 | 6 |
|--------|----|--------|----|--------|----|--------|
| 8.37% | 21 | 4.38% | 11 | 3.19% | 8 | 1.59% |
| 12.64% | 34 | 4.46% | 12 | 2.97% | 8 | 1.49% |
| 16.20% | 35 | 13.89% | 30 | 18.06% | 39 | 17.13% |
| 12.82% | 30 | 14.53% | 34 | 14.96% | 35 | 15.38% |
| 15.77% | 35 | 14.41% | 32 | 13.51% | 30 | 12.16% |
| 13.57% | 30 | 16.29% | 36 | 11.76% | 26 | 11.31% |
| 11.84% | 27 | 10.96% | 25 | 10.96% | 25 | 7.46% |
| 8.47% | 20 | 10.17% | 24 | 16.53% | 39 | 16.53% |
| 1.83% | 4 | 5.50% | 12 | 3.67% | 8 | 5.05% |
| 3.81% | 9 | 4.24% | 10 | 8.90% | 21 | 6.36% |

Top 3 Paper responses

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|---|----|
| Recreational swim | 64 |
| Swimming lessons | 66 |
| Water amenities | 6 |
| Water exercise | 10 |
| Zero depth | 9 |
| Combined main/baby (splash park) | 8 |
| Separate main/baby pool (splash park) | 17 |
| Concession stand | 5 |
| Competitive swim | 2 |
| School curriculum (math/science/health) | 3 |

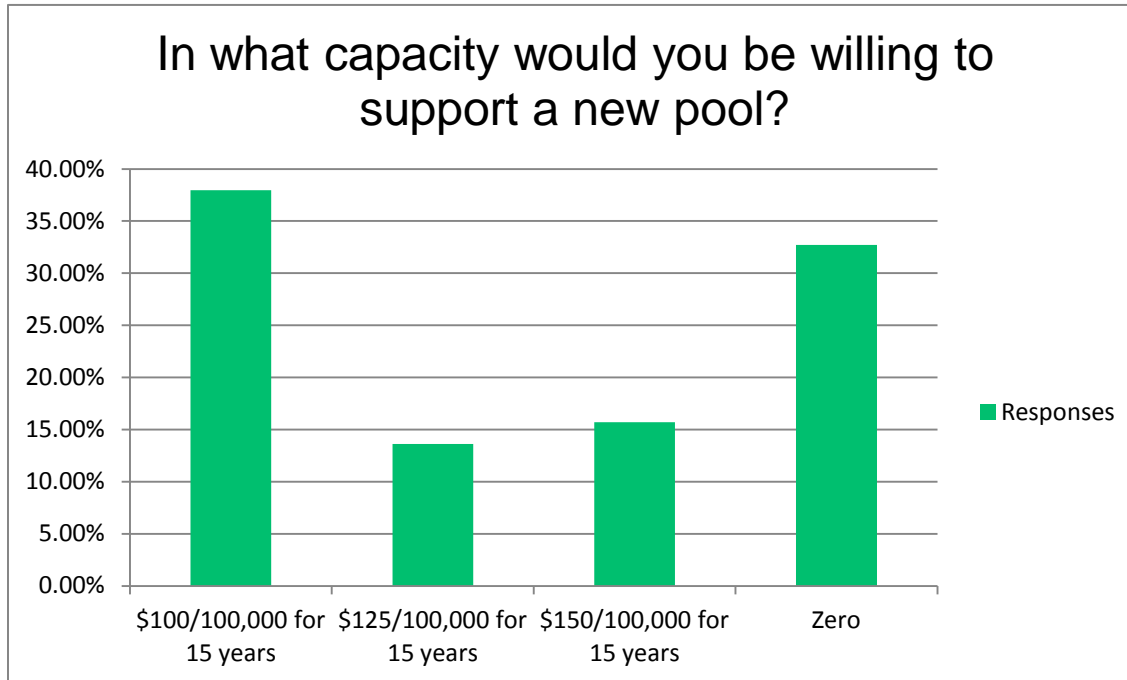
| 5 | 7 | | 8 | | 9 | | |
|---|----|--------|----|--------|----|--------|----|
| | 4 | 1.59% | 4 | 2.39% | 6 | 3.98% | 10 |
| | 4 | 1.86% | 5 | 1.12% | 3 | 7.06% | 19 |
| | 37 | 11.57% | 25 | 9.72% | 21 | 4.17% | 9 |
| | 36 | 19.66% | 46 | 8.12% | 19 | 4.27% | 10 |
| | 27 | 10.36% | 23 | 8.56% | 19 | 5.86% | 13 |
| | 25 | 8.14% | 18 | 10.86% | 24 | 7.24% | 16 |
| | 17 | 8.33% | 19 | 13.60% | 31 | 7.46% | 17 |
| | 39 | 12.29% | 29 | 16.10% | 38 | 6.36% | 15 |
| | 11 | 11.01% | 24 | 16.06% | 35 | 29.36% | 64 |
| | 15 | 6.78% | 16 | 9.32% | 22 | 12.29% | 29 |

| 10 | | Total | Score |
|--------|-----------------|-------|------------|
| 9.56% | 24 | 251 | 7.9 |
| 10.78% | 29 | 269 | 7.29 |
| 3.24% | 7 | 216 | 5.63 |
| 2.99% | 7 | 234 | 5.53 |
| 6.76% | 15 | 222 | 5.77 |
| 6.79% | 15 | 221 | 5.69 |
| 12.72% | 29 | 228 | 5.32 |
| 8.47% | 20 | 236 | 4.87 |
| 12.39% | 27 | 218 | 4.1 |
| 31.78% | 75 | 236 | 4.18 |
| | Answered | | 312 |
| | Skipped | | 49 |

In what capacity would you be willing to support a new pool?

| Answer Choices | Responses | |
|----------------------------|-----------|-----|
| \$100/100,000 for 15 years | 37.96% | 145 |
| \$125/100,000 for 15 years | 13.61% | 52 |
| \$150/100,000 for 15 years | 15.71% | 60 |
| Zero | 32.72% | 125 |

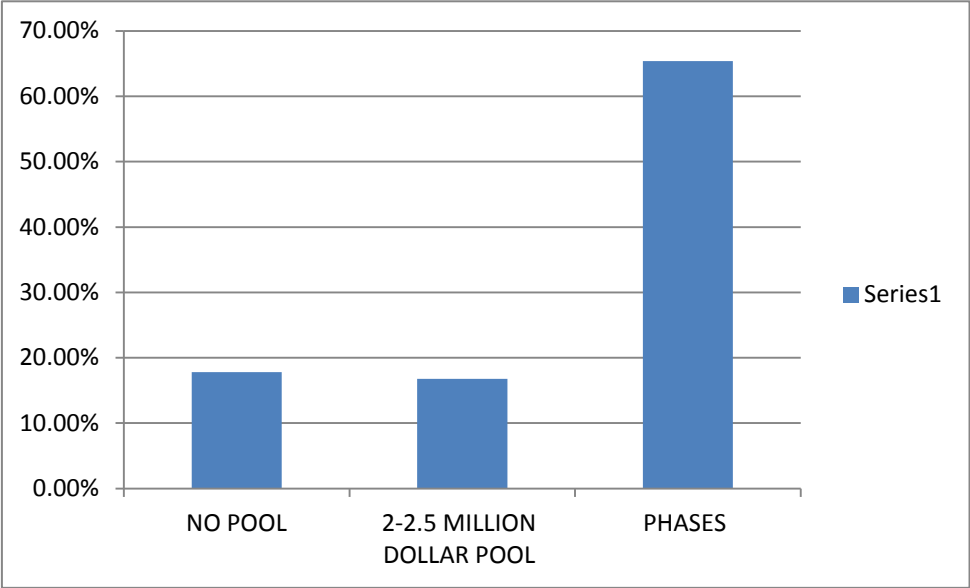
Answered 382



If there were three options regarding a new pool in Lennox, which would you prefer?

| Answer Choices | Responses | |
|---------------------------|-----------|-----|
| NO POOL | 17.81% | 70 |
| 2-2.5 MILLION DOLLAR POOL | 16.79% | 66 |
| PHASES | 65.39% | 257 |

Answered 393



refer?

Do you think Lennox needs a pool?

Comments:

Lennox does not need a state of the art pool. Build within reason. Read the letter to the editor written by Dianne Martin. Very well written and is the feeling of most of the tax payers in town. We need families to move to town but you keep raising taxes the cost of sewer water streets etc now pool. News travels out far and one hears many things asked you is this true in It would be the main place for children to go in the summer to keep cool and enjoy the weather

Fix the current pool

its great for kids to enjoy in the summer. Wear them out.

makes no financial sense for the city

For the kids in summer for swimming lessons

but not one that sends us to the poor house

seriously! We need a pool and swimming lessons!! We are not Sioux Falls and never will be. Lets get whats really needed ASAP! If council hadnt spent funds raised for pool elsewhere things wouldn't be such a big deal now.

for a community of this size 2200 in order to keep the younger population here and to continue to grow this is a key piece of

Shrink your plans and make the pool a viable option.

give some place for the kids to go and stay out of trouble

I think it needs to be built within the existing budget

Fix the one we got

Part of the reason we chose a small town to live in was so our kids could safely ride to the pool in the summer and have fun. not at this time. It doesn't make much sense to drive to a 3 million dollar pool on a gravel road when the sidewalks and roads are complete then its time to put in a new pool. There are so many more things that should come first

I think a pool would be nice but it isn't a necessity

But we do not need a water park!

learn how to spend your money and we would have had a pool

but not so expensive, something that can be added onto in several years as needed and we are more financially able

functional to start, all ages maybe fun things added later

there is little to draw new families to Lennox without a pool

we need the streets of Lennox fixed, there are so you can't hardly drive on or walk on so make this project a must before a pool, that is way too much money for something that is used such a short time

if any a smaller pool to start with

we should be able to afford one, want it available for my grandkids

but not a 2.5 million dollar pool, just replace the existing one

not with the cost projected at the pool meeting we attended! With infrastructure needing upgrading also at a high-cost for it is an important part of the community and an activity that keeps kids safe and busy. The pool keeps families in town instead of seeking out other communities for those activities. Having a pool reduces the opportunity for kids to get in trouble and

I think it's a good idea to get the school involved. They could be in charge of getting ready in spring and winterizing in fall.

it looks like the concrete in the pool has been removed and replaced before, why not fix it again.

just a basic one for the kids to get wet during the long/boring summer

repair the existing one, keep it simple there's already a great water park 12 miles away

there was already a vote on this and the majority voted "NO". Why is the city mayor and council pushing for something that

It would be beneficial for kids and adults who would like to be active.

Eventually, City of Lennox has too many issues at this point, do not know if pool would ever get done, or if money would be

But there might be alternative amenities that can still help Lennox grow without the costs that come with a pool.

one of the many reasons we moved here was the pool and school system for our kids. Even if we have to pay more in taxes we

we need a pool to ensure the city keeps thriving and growing. Young families will not want to move to or live in a community

for the kids in the summer for swimming lessons

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| due to the way the following questions are worded this can be my only response. Does lennox want a apool? The answer is yes, but not when we have several other more pressing needs. We have infrastructure needs that of a hihger priority, streets, build wihtin reason and budget |
| only sightly bigger than what we had, not all the extral frills and ASAP not 7-8 years from now. The bullying effeect on this by those who choose to spend preraised funds elsewhere is very disgusting and disrrespectful to those who contiubuted. |
| need - verb: requires something because it is essential or very importatn. Poorly worded question but I would like to alll communities of our size need a pool. Our children will swim in tea or parker if we do not build one. This will take reveneu away from the local businesse and our community will not look as attractive to people looking to relocate without a pool. |
| is very expensive the maintenance, you never come out ahead, tea is not that far away |
| not a water park just a pool |
| don't know im a new resident I have no idea what the age or ages of residents are or houw many families are young or old |
| as young, single partne its nice having the comfort and safty of a small community however working in SF during the week the last think I want to do during the weekday evenings or weekends is go to sioux falls. If I don't need to . Id rather stay here and put my money into my community. lennox needs to draw in the younger population if they want lennos to grow. lennox |
| I have mixed feelings. It would be nice for the children if its not just a free babysitter. In liue of already expensive living in Lennox and the need to improve infrastructure it doenst seem feasible to track on a lot more expensive. Some of our good |
| I think it's nice to have one but is ok if we don't |
| im not paying for a pool that my family wont use |
| this swimming pool is the summer passtime activity. That is what family and I did all summer |
| fix the streets first and pave the in town streets with city funds first. |
| We have always had a pool. Kids rode their bikes around town aimlessly all summer long. What is the price to enclose the pool |
| the youth of this town need a place for summer fun - great exercise, plus they need to be able to get swimming lessons - could the children will enjoy a pool |
| Not until we can aford it without raising property taxes. We will price ourselves out of the real estate market. This survey |
| I don't think lennox and the people of lennos needs that huge cost burden on them. I thik it could be donea t a lot lower cost. Repair the old one. Has that been researched. How about a liner. Too much expense just to maintain a pool of that size and |
| to continue to draw young families to town a pool is a must have. I would not have moved to Lennox if there was no pool. I was looking for a community that would offer my family activities to do without leaving town. |
| Pool would be ok but need to raise money first. Didn't believe that pool would cost lots more in the future without any data or |
| great opportunity for children, swimming lessons, summer fun |
| Lennox is too close to SF and should not try to compete with them. You have WWW up the road there is an aquatic center in SF. We (Lennox) are a town of 2,000 people adding more taxes to the people and debt to the town in hope of attracting |
| Yes, we need a pool. We just don't need that elaborate of a pool. |
| would be nice to have one exactly like the one we hace for seimming lessons - all kids should know how, but children should |
| put a new rubber liner in this pool and built a new bath house in place of the old one - project done |
| same at what we have and add in future |
| Within reason. There is no reason to compete with Tea. Let's stay within out financial means. Our taxes are already crazy!!! |
| Don't penalize the towns people for having nice houses and pick up the tax increase. Let's spread it out. The penny sales tax |
| I have no children or grandchildren that would utilize a pool. Unncessary expense it's a convience not something needed. |
| just a pool - nothing else, maybe bigger than the current one |
| yes but just one for the younger children for swimming lessons |
| best part of my childhood was at the pool |
| it's a nice feature for a town the size of lennos and young families will appreciate it. |
| lennox needs a pool for the kids entertainmemnt but in a much smaller scale |
| yes lennox needs a pool but not a new one for that price, why cant we do a really good fix on what we have. Any addition |
| imporvments can be added slowly, perhaps every year or so, just not all at once. This action is what drives people away, it only |
| current pool is enough |

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| infrastructure first then worry about a pool |
| follow the cities motto "promising future" of course we need a pool. This summer should be obvious we need a pool. Children had nothing to do my family had to travel to parker and canton to use a pool. We support small communities not sioux FALLS |
| allot of new families moving need somewhere to go |
| kids need a pool and new pool would generate revenue for lennox |
| repair or replace current pool |
| huge drawing card for new families moving here. It needs to be basic for now with room for growth. Professional fundraisers could help us out 0 there is opportunity there with business and healthcare providers. Former residents from Lennox and frew |
| Yes but not a large aquatic center |
| It's going to raise the value of properties and bring more residents to town. This isn't a pool issue. It's an economic and a SEPARATE kiddie pool |
| Something similar to what they had. Kids want fancy they have wild water west |
| Absolutely |
| Yes we do! Something a little bigger than what we had but not as elaborate as the latest design. |
| What is the possibility of replacing the pool hole with new hole and plumbing, not all bathhouses,,,, |
| just a place for swimming lessons and rec swimming for kids, nothing fancy, search for less expensive options |
| If you do build a new pool, please have lap swim time. Thanx! |
| There is nothing better than an hometown pool!! It keeps kids active in the summer! Teaching them valueable gross motor |
| We need a pool but not a fancy resort. |
| indoor pool |
| The city needs a pool not a water park. A regular size pool with a diving board. |
| Not a need, it's a want. Streets, curb and gutter, replacement of water and sewer lines, those are needs and we are already |
| It doesn't need to be fancy, just functional. |
| Renovate what you have at \$500,000 to \$600,000. It's a pool not a monument to society |
| I consider a pool to be critical infrastructure for the kids of our town. We have a toddler and I believe he will benefit greatly |
| A pool is so important for the youth and young families in town. It is also an option for a place that people can exercise and join |
| It would be nice to have a pool kids could learn how to swim in. Many city pools have been included in the school, which is ideal. An outdoor pool in SD is at least a \$40k dollar expense and actually a city the size of Lennox can not afford the expense. |
| Wild water west is so close with so many more amenities. |
| With wild water west so nearby it makes it hard to justify a pool. |
| Something for the kids to do |
| Since there is no place for general comments, I will use this space. I believe the current sewer charge is extremely unfair. Why was the old system based on water usage rejected? They way it is now, homes with 1 or 2 people pay the same as a beauty |
| Close to wild water west and tea. City could have summer bus program to www and several people have home pools |
| But not by raising taxes several hundreds of dollars per household |
| Eventually, after the City pays back what they took for lawsuit, for now do not trust City gov. |
| But we need to save up for it first. DO NOT RAISE TAXES! |
| There are so many kids in Lennox and surrounding small towns that would love to have a pool! |
| "Need" is an inappropriate word. We probably "need" a functioning sewer system and drivable streets. A pool would, however, |
| Swimming pools draw kids together as well as is a 'draw' to potential future young families |
| It's what will grow your town |
| It's a luxury item, but not a necessity, like sewer and water. |
| I feel that it is very important that Lennox has a pool. Every thriving town needs a swimming pool. I feel that when people are looking to move into the community that is a very strong factor they consider. When people out of the community come to town to use the pool, they also pickup groceries, get gas and do all their other errands as well. I feel the town should provide a |
| Absolutely. The library & summer programs had 200 kids attend. There is definitely a need!!!! |
| I think the community would greatly benefit from having a pool. |

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| Year-round usability preferred. |
| The city needs to manage there money better. |
| We need a pool but need to find a way without raising taxes. |
| The city and most of the residents cannot afford it at this time!! In the future after fundraisers and such, possibly. |
| I think there is many other things we need to work on first like streets |
| There's a pool close to Lennox. |
| Kids need somewhere to go in the summer |
| Kids and adults need to exersize and relax. Kids need to learn to swim. |
| If you want to attract young families that will aid in growth, you need a pool. |
| We need a reasonably priced pool. |
| Sooner rather than later! We need it to grow! |
| Subjective question. A pool would be nice, but the city NEEDs better roads and infrastructure. |
| A basic pool |
| Roads and side walks needs work first priority |
| We already have one. Building a bigger, more expensive pool is unnecessary for a small town. |
| yes I do believe lennox needs and would benefit from a pool. This is one reason that we moved to Lennox last year to have a pool our kids could walk to and for further growth of the community to have a pool as this might lead people to go elsewhere that offers a pool in the community. Also this takes business out of the community as you would need to travel to SF, Tea, |
| Absolutely!!!! |
| 100% absolutely. Access to a pool is one of the main reasons we chose to build in Lennox and we are quite disappointed in its a waste of tax money!!! |
| I think some additional things need to be addressed. Such as: admission cost - those paying for the funding do we get a |
| The town is too small and and doesnt have enough school age residents to support one. There is too much competition from |

| In what capacity would you be willing to support a new pool? |
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| Comments: |
| I mean I am willing to pay increased taxes or something but these amount and time frames are a bit confusing to me, we most likely will not live here 5 years from now. So I was not sure how to answer this. |
| if the city can come up with a million or the old football field should have no problem fixing the old pool do not involve stockwell use a pool company |
| fix the pool there |
| why spend millions for something only usually open for 2.5 months |
| the current situation with our city pool is not the tax payers issue. Repeatedly the city has dropped the ball. Lennox city pool should have been fixed years ago and we wouldn't have to waste stamps and tax dollars on the input survey. |
| you cannot continue to raise taxes on this community. |
| there is no guarantee of funding from the public at this level. But there must be several ways to obtain funding for a pool. When very small communities can afford to build brand new pools, there is no excuse for a community this size |
| Maybe if you tightened your overspending ways the community could afford a pool. You need to look at budgets cuts and get debt under control to facilitate this. And quit trying to overbuild what the community doesn't need. |
| depends on the pool |
| it does depend if there is one or two residents contributing to the household expenses. A lot depends on the cost we incur with the 2018 street project. We have a lot of questions but one specific question is in regards to curb and gutter. We put out the effort and the money to get it at our house it is in good condition. will it be removed with the project. will the city then cover the cost to replace it. if not, why? |
| It's fucking stupid |
| If we stay in the community. Thinking of moving with pool not passing. |
| I would be willing to financially support the pool, but not for 15 years. I feel a less expensive option would be more appealing, with a shorter payment period. It is imperative to explore other fundraising options, such as grants, donations from larger corporations, businesses or business people. Also, this is not only 'Lennox's' pool. Have you considered how rural people can support the pool, or perhaps people from surrounding communities such as Worthing, Chancellor, etc? People could pledge a monetary donation one time or annually to support funding, or perhaps we could generate income from out of town residents by charging more for season passes. It only seems fair that if Lennox towns-people are supporting the pool with increased taxes, that we should pay less for a pass. For example, \$75 for residents and twice as much for non-residents. |
| It depends on how well it matches the results of Question #4. |
| we are not going to support this when you could of kept the swimming pool we had when it needed some repairs instead of leaving it go it could have been repaired or kept up but no you just figure Lennox needs a new pool. This pool is good enough for this town cause why put a new pool in lennox when it is getting to look like a dump cause people don't clean up and the city does nothing. |
| I would be willing to support at a higher level. |
| we know that a pool is needed our family has utilized the pool since we moved here 10 years ago. We don't like more taxes but realize this is a necessity to get a new pool. We will pay what the majority votes for. |
| i don't have excess dollars |
| some of us live on fixed income and cannot afford any more taxes on our already high taxes. We pay for our own street and the sewer bills are outrageous. |
| more or less depending on the year and situation we found ourselves in |
| sidewalks are a big priority as well as the infrastructure listed - thank you! |

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| not willing to pay on a pool for 15 years and your 100-100k is too far apart to support. There has to be a better way. How many different estimates have you had? I know when I have estimates done on homes they ranfe in thousands of dollars for the exact same work done. for example to stratighn basement wall one was close to \$30k i hired a local man who got a great reputation to do exactly the same work for \$6k. i could gice many examples thru the years of construction |
| I think more funding options should be explored as well. Put Jerry's name on it for a down payment. Fundraise, do something over the 4th to raise \$ |
| The charges or fee's to use the pool should cover the cost of the pool and maintenance |
| I wuld be willing to support in some smaller capacity. For what the proposed tax increase was I could buy a season pass at wild water west and still have money left over |
| 20-30 years |
| Would like the city and groups pursue sponsorship and donations where feasible to lessen the burden on the taxpayers. |
| Taxes, ect..are too expensive in this town, what else would we be paying for? Do not trust people in charge of distribution of the Taxpayer dollars |
| cant afford to spend any more on taxes when wages are stagnant |
| streets and water bill needs lowered its to expensive. The streets and sidewalks - water pressure its all a problem - nothing is adequate - the water bills are outrageous - fix the streets - bring the water bill down - enforce the ordinances for everyone - not just people you dont like - stop giving city employees favoratism |
| the amount the citizens would pay for a pool would be a benefit to the community for years to come. Having a pool in lennox would far out weigh a temporary tax increase |
| I will support a pool project when we have paid dowan a sizeable portion of city debt. We should max out our ability to bond for city projects. Emergencies arise and we need the financila ability to deal with them. Some may view the lack of a pook in an emergency sesne but it still on the list of wants not needs. |
| use sales tax option, donatoins, fundraisers, grants, residents cant afford mandatory contributions should be included in city maintenance like park if not privately owned |
| 1 million dollar pool |
| there are other options of funding that need to be researched. Grants = beresford city did there pool mostly by grants. This is a very small community and very low wages (income) |
| I am not opposed to a small raise in taxes but feel that each household should contribute evenly - not so much per 100k which I feel penalizes me for upgrading my home.. |
| perhaps some money can be raised by selling city owned property like the old football field |
| streets completed thru out the town should not have gravel inside city limits |
| lennox does not need a state of the art pool |
| I'm not sure I understand this question(how much would I pay as an tax payer and the frequency?) |
| get out of debt as soon as possible, build an emergency fund |
| gratns and fund raisers. Seen it work in other places |
| change is necessary for the growth of the community. People want to live in smaller towns bud don't want to have to communte to other towns for leisure or recreational activites all the time. |
| I have been told by people in the community that they would be willing to contribute a donation once action is taken such as putting a shovel to dirt. People are hesitant to contribute to a fund when there have been issues with spending money in our community. |
| I do not live in the city or county, but my kids go to school there and do most of their summer activities there |
| for the price that you expect residents of Lennox to pay for this community pool, we could each build our own private pools. Stop wating tax dollars we pay too much already. |
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| more money could be raised on fund raisers through out the year |
| Find another way to fund it!! |

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| is there a way to supplement the cost by raising the city taxes a penny or two. Us homeowners. There are people in the community that rent or don't own a home that are also responsible to help cover the costs of a new pool. |
| I don't know that we would still be here in 15 years |
| we said NO! |
| don't double talk - we need a pool for small children - not a show place for adult swimming, water and sewer bills are too high now who can afford a pool. |
| give back money saved for pool |
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| too much for some people, what does a pool same as we have, the concession stand is good enough |
| Why does it have to be a tax increase? |
| that's enough, we pay enough on property taxes maybe more people would move to lennox if the taxes weren't so high. |
| Homeowners who pay to have the swimming pool built get swim passes provided for the length of time they're paying. |
| should be able to fund with current taxes as they are already high. Although a pool would help draw young families here too high of taxes/fees will cause them to go elsewhere |
| paved streets - need to fix Boynton ave from hwy 17 to main |
| Taxes should not have to be raised |
| get some bids on a really good fix and let us decide which one to go with. Conduct a full Return On Investment and display results to all city residents(Mail??). Cities should be ran like a business. |
| Infrastructure first, many are still upset over the old football field incident |
| I would like some more information on current funding availability |
| sidewalks and curb gutter would be great, also it would be wonderful to be able to get mail at the house |
| this amount is nothing compared to what people pay to go out for dinner once a month with family |
| Prefer fundraising built pool |
| I don't like any of these options - like I truly believe taxes will go down after the 15 years. Ha! Find out how much a basic pool will cost and then ask me this question. Give me better options than these. |
| pool, streets, if you aren't going to force curb and sidewalks, etc - no sense continuing street projects - take pride in our town |
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| no more chipsealing, pave all roads in city |
| I think grant options and fundraising needs to be done. |
| other lower cost recreational projects with much longer window for use, such as walking bike path tennis court frisbee golf - quoting a friend that visited lennox Main street looks depressing - the city needs a more active role in getting homeowners to keep properties looking attractive - examples - the bowling alley. could the city buy run down properties/unsafe properties to tear down. i also can't believe all the gravel streets we have in town. i travel a lot and haven't been in town in SD with more gravel streets than lennox. SAD |
| raise money by applying for grants and fundraise |
| This is peanuts. It's \$13 a month. Don't eat out once. Real tough on where I can save money. Good grief. |
| don't know |
| Those that use it should pay for it |
| It seems everything in Lennox is at a higher cost already (taxes, water, etc..) |
| repair our streets |
| Never to 6 million plus |
| Just on an individual gift. |
| it needs to be paid for with current tax revenue otherwise I would have to say our town cannot afford to have one. I'd like to have a sports car but I can't afford it. It's no different, but I can afford a Ford Taurus it does the job. |
| link pool to the highschool so competitive swimming is an option. indoor/outdoor pool and support (monetary) will come. |
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| Existing area replaced 1.3 million budget |

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| Raise the price to get in as well as family passes. |
| Zero isn't a true statement. I am willing to help pay for it but there must be other ways. Has anyone talked to Worthing to see how they paid for their consession stand or raised money for the pool? |
| We should build a pool that will meet our needs for years to come. It is penny wise and pound foolish to build this thing half-assed. |
| i feel it could be done for less money than last estimate. look at other small towns. |
| 100 to 100,000? i'm not sure who came up with this survey, but your spectrum is a little broad! |
| At this time Lennox can't afford anything. |
| not sure |
| \$50/100,000 |
| No kids, probably would never use it. |
| I did not answer 4 because you need to clarify is 1 most important and 10 least important or vice versa. Need clarification |
| This should be a community project, not just paid for by taxing Lennox residents. Money should be raised & budgeted not putting the city in max debt load. |
| There has to be a better partnership between the city and the taxpayers. Are there grants, rural development opportunities, low to no interest loans? Too little information was give too late. The public felt the city wasn't upfront with a lot of information. A better partnership is needed. |
| For the kids |
| We need a pool, but you're taxing people out of their homes and preventing people moving into our community. |
| Our taxes are way too high.Water bill changed 3 times in 5 months, questionable?? |
| Don't understand question? |
| We are getting elderly and foreseeing more limited incomes. But feel our town needs a pool |
| Start a pledge/challenge fund of rural,city,corporations and grants before raising taxes too much |
| No one likes paying extra taxes, but I don't think this is too much to ask. All in the community benefit when Lennox is growing. |
| Prefer shared cost for construvction and maintenence with school district. This number represents taxes for both city and school. |
| I don't live in city limits. |
| A pool is a staple to the community but shouldn't completely fall on us. Maybe 50-75\$ |
| We can barely pay our water bill - shower once a week, laundry once every 1-2 months, no flushing toilet unless needed. We are poor. Below poverty. We have never used the pool and never would. We can barely afford to survive. Therefore, I cannot afford higher property taxes to pay for something we will never use. Increasing yet another cost of living in this town will hurt people who are already struggling. |
| I would support at higher but know people in Lennox do not have the means to do so. |
| Fundraisers, or bring in a system like great life or Embe |
| Needs to include all of lennox. Rural areas as well. |
| Do fundraisers |
| The above amount is excessive for limited income residents. Need to add other revenue choices as not only are the home owners using the pool; there are others |
| If an indoor facility I would consider more as the kids in this town need something to do year round. As well as surrounding communities. I grew up in Brandon and we would ride the bus to Luverne to swim. Maybe consider partnering with after school programs in Worthing/Parker/Tea/Canton. This would provide income to assist with supporting an indoor pool. Evening or day time water aerobics for adults/elderly - again we could bring in adults from surrounding communities. |
| I dont understand what these dollar amounts represent. |
| There are bonds and grants that could be used |
| I think the city should ad this for community on our already high taxes |

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| City taxes |
| Can't afford it |
| It's a small town.. they don't need anything worth millions |
| If I'm going to spend that much of my personal money on a pool, it will be in my own backyard. |
| I would be open to any ideas that would bring this back to the community |
| don't own a home |
| Improved and ball diamonds, football and soccer fields...but NOT over getting a new pool |
| No |
| Additional baseball/softball park practice fields |
| Be real, joke to charge residents that much |
| I would support more if it was indoor facility for example. |

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| Besides infrastructure (water/sewer/curb-gutter/sidewalk), are there other projects that would be a priority over a community pool project? |
| Open-Ended Response |
| streets |
| I think it would be a great gathering place for the community. There is not really any central place like this in Lennox right now. This is no youth center or rec area or anything really for children to go except the park. I do think that drainage in Lennox is important and needs some assistance. It does appear that it is being worked on though, so continued progress on this is important as well. |
| No, we desperately need a pool in the community. I feel it is preventing young families from moving here. |
| Housing Development |
| none |
| Sidewalk curb gutter |
| No |
| infrastructure to new development to increase housing taxbase |
| no |
| roads need to be fixed, where is the money you are collecting going to |
| Infrastructure is the most important, but hasn't been completed. |
| tennis courts |
| Baseball field update |
| No |
| elect all new city council - to many idle employees |
| I think the pool should receive a high priority, however I would also like to see more development of softball/baseball fields or a complex. The revenue raised by holding tournaments and having other towns come to Lennox would most likely generate much greater revenue than from the pool. And hey, maybe those folks would visit our pool when they come to town! Practice time for baseball and softball is always an area of contention because we don't have the fields available to support the growing program. |
| Get more businesses to come to Lennox. |
| No |
| No, I feel that a pool should be the city's highest priority other than the critical infrastructure listed in the question. |
| No |
| my biggest concern is keeping my basement dry after it rains - our corner floods after rain and then I have to run fans for days to dry basement |
| better attitude towards new businesses |
| No |
| All paved roads. More mosquito control |
| pave the gravel roads in town (so,no) |
| No |
| sidewalks - not everyone in town has had to fix theirs |
| NA |
| lower water bills, build main street back up, stop making it difficult for new businesses, stop painting the lines on Main Street each year before the 4th of July, the city needs to tell police department to leave Al's motorsickle shop alone when doing test runs, the council members past and present have made it impossible for new or existing businesses. the city made it impossible for Lonestar to come into town. |
| just finish what you started |
| \$40 sewer charge is ridiculous |
| No |
| Streets. Also, update the park and incorporate more walking and biking trails. |

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| What about water? We have 2 water towers, one of which was never used, plus paying for Lewis and Clark water. People pay for their own Curb,gutter,and sidewalk. Sewer, think that money must be used for something else, or taxpayers should not have to pay for other peoples mistakes. Roads in this town. |
| Other park amenities - housing development. |
| Fixing roads |
| roads that aren't paved |
| pool should have been before a face lift on city hall building |
| No...infrastructure is first but we desperately need a pool. |
| roads, sidewalks, signs are faded, we need to look at priorities |
| clean up the areas with trash and garbage trailers, bowling alley, gravel, streets no curb and gutter |
| kids need something to do, rec center or managed club romm would be an option also |
| keep streets in reasonably good condition |
| Lower water cost! |
| Na |
| Better equipped sport fields |
| fix the streets and clean up the town get on the popel that don't clean up cause it is a disaster, the apartment on 101 n elm needs to be cleaned up there is a nice church on the corner and people go there they have to look a tthat mess in from of it it is an eyesore if there are many more. Orville needs to open his eyes up and do his job. clean up lennox |
| No |
| The roads suck and need work. Why does it take so long to have one part of a road repaired? |
| Streets |
| streets we don't have to pay for, Lennox is not going to keep growing like some of the other towns you are trying to comete with. Why wasn't this pool fixed years ago? |
| No |
| Continue the recreation trail. We have too many students walking to school on Highway 44. The trail we have on 17 is beautiful and is being used and safe. Cleveland Street is very active in the summer with bikes/joggers and walkers. There is no shoulder and the speed limit is probably a little too high considering the amount of pedestrian traffic. |
| No |
| better condition of streets flatten them out instead of continuing to build higher and higher center of street, also continue walking bike path around souther part of town more taxpayers would get use after that then a swimming pool |
| Construction of affordable housing which would provide additional tax dollars to support a new pool. |
| There will always be needed projects |
| ALL CITY STREETS PAVED |
| Have your mosquito sprayer slow down and do it more often so it actually kills mosquitos. Plant trees back after the project is done |
| no - pool is primary, our grandkids love coming to this small town where they can ride their bike to the pool just like their parents (our kids) did |
| Every street in the town. Drive a 3/4 ton truck by the police station! I get air in the seat going 15mph |
| I havent lived in town long enough to notice much. Maybe do something to encourage cleaning up the trailer parks/run down properties |
| community building werhe bigger events can be held |
| non I know of other than finsih the bike path |
| Fix west Boynton |
| No |
| sidewalk, curb and gutter |
| PAVE ROADS (4th street) WITH TAX MONEY, don't have people to write checks for the towns responsibility |

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| housing development - entry level housing is in short supply. Promote local businesses! If we are able to grow lennox increase the number of people living in new homes the property tax base will grow increasing city revenue while hopefully decreasing individual home owner, tax burden. with an increasing population there will also be more more business development retail, service and industrial. |
| streets, update softball fields nothing has been done by you do a lot for baseball. Maintain up keep on the existing facilities |
| No |
| finish paving all gravel roads in city limits, re-survey all city properties so owners can have lots staked correctly for a fence if they choose. |
| new housing |
| While still infrastructure I would say street replacement and paving. All streets within town should be paved. |
| rifle/pistol range - it is a money maker and can be used 7 months a year; community events center for wedding receptions, etc. This question sounds like - if we were to spend 2.8 million on something fun what would it be? |
| too many to list but the sewer and curb needs to be done today not years from now, you people are out of touch with the middle class of Lennox. The city manager needs to be fired. Stop pushing the million dollar pool. Stop and listen to your tax payer. |
| No |
| Na |
| paved streets |
| it would be nice to have other recreational things like a bowling alley, movie theater, arcade room, things kids can do to keep them busy and safe |
| No |
| The baseball/softball fields are overcrowded and practice time is impossible to get. Adding new fields would be a cheaper option to serve hundreds of families. Safe ADA sidewalks and ramps are also important. |
| No |
| none more important than a pool |
| No |
| more businesses and industry |
| infrastructure is all my tax dollars should be used for |
| Rec center with roller skating, bowling, and fitness room |
| tree cut trim sidewalk area 513 S Cherry sidewalk fixed |
| No |
| streets |
| can't believe the sidewalks and curb and gutter weren't required for years. |
| No...we need the pool for our families |
| may not be a priority over but we will need to continue to grow with new housing opportunities |
| Better streets |
| No |
| No |
| NO |
| If we can't get a new pool, then at least update the city park play equipment. |
| parking on side streets with boats and trailers all summer long, pay attention when you drive around on Cherry from N to S all the way. |
| think before spending fixed income of older retired people in Lennox. Settle for a little less so all may enjoy living in Lennox |
| None that I can think of at this time. |

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| pay down debt on bonds for schools |
| why is it that my address is required to have curb and gutter and not across the street? North on main has homes with no curb as well... any given morning most runners are on street and most feel that doesn't need yield to everyone. Take care first the infrastructure then ask about other projects been here for 15 years nothing has changed |
| a youth center would be nice, but I think the pool would be great. |
| NO |
| whatever it takes to keep the town cleaned up and drug free |
| pool is important but making sure families have activities is important. Park improvements is important, tennis courts ball courts, volleyball, etc. The city did a half assed job when it came to the tennis courts. If the city does a big project with pool do it the right way the first time. |
| No |
| balanced budget - mill levy reasonable for community this size |
| streets |
| nothing is more important than a town the size of Lennox having a pool. |
| Streets |
| No |
| City clean up too many unkept properties |
| no |
| a rec center after school and weekend programs for kids and families |
| Park renovation, development of fields on old football field is just as important and as a citizen, I can't afford to pay for the needed infrastructure and pool or park projects all at the same time. |
| water/sewer are #1. I don't think curb and gutter or sidewalks are a priority over the pool. |
| No |
| You can't have a multi million pool project when you still have unpaved streets in the middle of the city |
| I don't know if this would be a priority over the pool but the eyesore of a bowling alley needs to go. |
| not sure |
| Not that I can think of. |
| appearance of properties that are run down. Clean up properties less junk sitting around. |
| Clean up properties and the trailer courts. They are eyesores. |
| No |
| city Streets |
| No |
| extending the walking/biking path around the city |
| pool should be priority. |
| road improvements |
| no |
| 3rd street |
| the young kids have nothing to do but swimming |
| No |
| no |
| No |
| NO |
| Anti-horn train zone in Lennox (lit and gated railroad crossings) |
| No |
| No |
| Paved streets |
| Bike path used year around and by many more city residents. Much higher priority than a pool |
| No |

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| No |
| New street signs should be a priority. Many are no longer readable. A new face on city hall should NOT have been a priority. I question the council's priorities since the unreasonable acquisition of the old fb field. |
| No |
| Streets |
| Not sure |
| Some of the streets could use some work, but we need a pool |
| No |
| Streets , water sewer |
| No. Pool is priority |
| No |
| Streets are the worst in the state, maybe outsource all, including Finance officer, everyone else in office/ police included, would be less expensive, and things would be done right the first time...would be more responsible for people of Lennox who pay taxes. Do things right first time. |
| Roads, and water quality |
| Smooth roads |
| No |
| The streets in Lennox are horrible. We also have many gravel streets. It is sad when we have to walk in the street because the side in the town are either horrible (bumpy, uneven, torn up) or are missing completely. |
| Not sure |
| No |
| What about the park master plan you thought to be so important? How many tax dollars were wasted on having Stockwell draw that up? Did it occur to anyone that the City couldn't afford it? |
| ROADS!! Especially Boynton. Someone is going to get hurt due to poor road conditions and no sidewalks as adults and children walk and ride bike, people are incredibly rude and don't get over for them! |
| We also feel that our city needs to improve their ballfields for 'KIDS' ... if they're participating in summer sports, they're learning so much more than just 'hitting a ball'! Learning how to play with others, learning 'how to lose and win', listening to coaches and just having FUN with friends!! Wouldn't say priority over pool but perhaps equally as important. |
| No |
| Finish the bike trail |
| park and rec... meaning baseball and softball fields...not enough fields for three amount of teams we have every summer playing |
| Better lighting on city streets |
| No. Streets instead of gravel though. |
| No |
| School additions & fine arts programs |
| Street improvements |
| Streets |
| No |
| No but would love to see a dog park! |
| No!!!! Keyword community pool |
| no |
| I have only lived here since May, so I am unable to comment on this question at this time. |
| Sidewalk |
| no |
| No |

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| Absolutely not...our children need summer recreation!! |
| I haven't lived in town long enough to comment |
| STREETS |
| No |
| No |
| No. I'd like to see something done about the old bowling alley and I'm curious about plans for the old football field, but I think the pool should be priority over those. |
| Infrastructure needs to be a priority. It is attrious! |
| Improve city government utilization of technology. I.E., GIS system, recording and streaming of city meetings. |
| No |
| no |
| The day the orginal pool was completed. The town should have started thinking of funding the next pool. Then we maybe wouldn't gotten into this situation. Now we have to pay for the sins of the past. |
| No |
| No |
| There are always going to be projects. The longer we wait for a pool the more expensive it's going to get- even just the bare bones of a pool |
| Just get it done. Plenty of wealthy people in community that could pledge and then a lesser bond issue |
| Not having a pool hurts the bussiness community hard in the summer, people leave town to go find a pool and take there money with them. |
| I believe phases are a smart way to proceed. Possibly looking into adjusting what is in each phase (balance activities for older kids/adults and younger kids). |
| No |
| Reducing the high cost of living in Lennox |
| no |
| After the football field fiasco I really think we need to look hard and seriously at our city council members and their ability to make the right judgment for our community. My question is did you seek legal counsel? If you did I don't feel that you received good legal counsel. The money that was spent for poor judgment on our counsel makes me question is the council bonded and should maybe a bond should have paid for the councils error in judgment I believe that falls underneath a performance bond. I think the city would feel better if there's more accountability based on the fiasco when it came to the football field. |
| I'm fairly new to town, so forgive me if there is already something like this. But perhaps a facility that kids/families can use year-round. For example, something similar to a Boys and Girls Club (obviously not that, specifically) that would be open for kids after school, weekends, etc. that offers a variety of activities (e.g., crafts, sports, seasonal festivals). While I don't have children yet, I would be more than willing to pay a monthly fee for my children to go there after school and would be more than happy to volunteer time on weekends with programming. |
| No. |
| Streets |
| No |
| no |
| No |
| No |
| No |
| Roads are awful! The bump in the entrance of the park is terrible. How about cutting back on mowing the park everyday with so many city worked and police and save money for a new pool. Do we really need such a large maintenance crew and police force in a small town at this point? It the risk for crime that high? |
| I don't have enough info to answer. Doesn't the city have long range planning? |

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| Not at this moment, maybe winter recreation would be right up there with it |
| No |
| No |
| Street and getting more businesses and housing |
| Nothing |
| Streets |
| No |
| No |
| Places to eat |
| Propped grading of the gravel roads in city limits!!! |
| No |
| No |
| Water tower |
| Bike path a place for kids to hang out after games play equipment at the park on the west side of town on fourth and Cleveland |
| No |
| Trying to keep our cost of living down. We are extremely high on our water and sewer compared to other towns |
| Yes the roads need to be repaired |
| No |
| No |
| No |
| park update. Looking at other smaller town parks, ours is pathetic. |
| no |
| More housing |
| Baseball complex |
| No |
| No |
| No |
| I believe the pool should be the highest priority after infrastructure. |
| Na |
| NO |
| Streets |
| All of the above |
| No |
| Streets |
| Paved streets, sidewalk along highway 44 for children's safety, stoplight at high school on 44 and main |
| Yes, upgrading the parks and adding housing developments |
| No |
| stop trying to line your buddy's pockets with unnecessary projects. |
| Rec trail |
| streets!! they are terrible. pave some of the gravel roads people live on! |
| no |
| I think just better money management and decision making would make sense |
| Additional softball/baseball fields. Basketball courts. |
| None, would like to see the pool built in the old football field |
| No. Kids need a place to swim in the summer |
| Streets and sidewalks |
| Boynton Ave |

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| No, I think pool is a vital part of community development |
| No |
| Roads |
| Nothing |
| At this time I feel like we need a pool to bring tax payers to town in order to do the other infrastructure |
| The roads need fixing. |
| Getting some place where families can go for supper and possibly entertainment. Huron has a restaurant with a bowling alley and bar/lounge all on one. It is nothing special. Lennox could use a bowling alley or other means of entertainment and obviously needs a small town cafe. Try and entice small town business from some of these restaurant owners |
| Stop wasting our tax dollars on frivolous, unnecessary crap that only a small portion of the city will utilize. |
| None that I can think of at this time |
| Not right now |
| Roads |
| No |
| Nope |
| No |
| street work |
| Indoor pool-aim for sponsors such as Sanford |
| Non of the above |
| Anything else... This is ridiculous!! |
| No |
| No |
| New park/splash park |
| No!! Lennox needs a pool so the community will continue to grow! |
| No |
| A clean city in good repair will add more to property values then a pool. |
| No |
| No |

If there were three options regarding a new pool in Lennox, which would you prefer?

Comments:

fix and take care of what we have

I mean I would have way less use come 2025 for the pool, my children will be in High School or almost done with High school.

Make sure it is big enough. Make sure it has a slide. Beresford's pool is great and we would use it to inspire our design.

we have to pay for the screw ups we already have made - football field

lennox is never gonna grow taxes to high this town has nothing. Very sad.

make a plan after you have saved some money. No new taxes

personally I don't have kids and don't really see the need for a pool, however for those with kids I think its necessary. The kids need more to do during the summer off from school. Difficut to believe that the existing pool cant be fixed.

the new subdivision has a nice blacktop road why cant the rest of us . A swimming pool wont bring businesses and new houses a good infrastructure will. Think!!

phases would be my chose but only when you know how to spend the tax money

Build one pool zero depth to 12 foot, quit outspending the resources you have. Quit trying to scare people about waiting to 2025, if it waits that long, my kids will out grow it and i will never vote for giving the city a dollar.

Finish the infrastructure before a pool gets added. Boynton Ave. from HWY 17 to Main St. is a joke for an entrance street to the sooner is better so the phases is probably the best route. All things considered.

we do not need an expensive pool for out town - I would rather see none at all you should have been thinking about this beofre it go this bad.

I loved the first design you had with everything together but by 2025 my kids will no longer benefit & we'll probably move before then.

this town is not growing hasn't for 40 years, this town is not SF tea or harrisburg stop spending like it is

None of the above. It would be a disservice to our community to build a pool in phases where we couldn't hold lessons, and with funding and budgets stretched as they are now, it appears that the final phase would never get completed. Waiting 8-10 years to build a pool also seems like a disservice as prices will only continue to go up, and in 10 years we could be in the same position we are now. No pool also does not seem like a great option. It is implied that new people moving to Lennox hold quality of life as an important factor when considering where to move. I feel people would also consider low taxes as an important quality when looking to move to our community. If the taxes where higher, would the same people still consider moving here over not moving here because we don't have a pool? I would like to see an option where we work with what's there, repair it, build a new bath house, etc, and get it open within a year or two. I think it would be worth the time to explore a less expensive option, say \$500K with increased taxes for 5 years, versus the multi-million dollar plan presented. If people sensible idea - start right away with something and grow

thank you for your continued efforts to get a pool back in lennox

Of the 3 options listed, I would like to see the phased option. My preference would be to have a full pool with with diving boards and 12 foot depth, but I don't like the 8-10 year timeline.

I would suggest changing the priorities of amenities. Everyone can use a pool with 3-12' only young childre can use zero depth to 4'. I think the pool would run in the red as proposed. One big talkiong pint was to keep kids out of trouble and give them something to do. zero dept will breathe zero interest form the kids you want to keep out of trouble.

I am undecided

fix the one we have

this survey is very biased - only going for the yes to #1 question

Lennox needs some sort of a pool opening prior to 2025. the community will benefit in more than one way.

Option B seems like too long of a timeline for people who would be responding to this survey. They would barely see the benefits. It seems like all funding options have not been explored. We recently moved, people criticize us for choosing lennox becasue of the high taxes, no pools, gravel roads, etc. the school is the biggest draw for us. lennox would be higher on the list for people if there was a pool. the sooner the better.

Our family would be interested in an opportunity for input on the phases

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| if we continue to experience very high property taxes people considering Lennox as a place to live will likely choose communities with lower tax rates and tax burden. We need to do more to market the City of Lennox we have a very good school system, we have industry and we have good core business community. with out proximity to Sioux Falls we could experience more growth than we have in the past |
| All this is not necessary. You may want but the majority just wants a basic pool. |
| the people that put this letter together are the problem. Stop wasting tax dollars. Dig out old pool back fill rebuild same |
| If a new pool is needed, then the fee's to use the pool should cover these cost, and not new taxes. |
| how about looking for grants? Free \$\$ that taxpayers don't have to fund. There are a lot of options out if you do your |
| This was already voted on. The majority of people voted it down. The city is forcing the pool issue until they get the vote they want. This is disrespectful to the majority of people who voted it down. |
| why would members of the community want to spend money on other communities when their money could support their |
| Seems as though some people do not understand that the taxpayers of Lennox should be willing to pay more for taxes and water, and sewer and lawsuits and raises, if the city of Lennox is so strapped for money, maybe save by not giving 5% raises, remodeling, more and more staff(that do not pay taxes) and complete picture about who and where the taxpayers money is |
| 10 years seems like a long time, so phases would be the best alternative. |
| I need to keep my daycare kids safe. Which if both pools are in one. I do not feel comfortable with I cannot move 608 different directions at once even with a helper. Life vests would have to be purchased for each child and that still makes me nervous. i loved our simple baby pool. |
| none of the above. We have heard there may be an option to purchase a new liner for the pool and put up a new bathhouse. |
| plan for a new pool in 15 years when the liner warranty is up. Fundraise and save money for 15 years to build pool |
| if done in phases the 3'tp 12' should be done first to accommodate swimming lessons for a ll |
| I prefer option 2 but building in phases is probably the best bet to gain approval. |
| build so can be enclosed later, no angles or curves tarped and protected when not in use |
| I would strongly suggest the city solicit donors for offsetting the cost of the pool. Different areas of the pool could be named for th donors. This is done on all larger projects throughout SE SD. Also there are plenty of wealthy families in the lennox area. instead of putting the burden solely on the taxpayers, solicit the community. |
| the city of lennox needs to pull their head out of ass if I didn't already live here, I sure wouldn't move here |
| The City is not trusted. They come to us and say we need this now. We all know it should have been done years ago. Then blame us the citizens and check are basements. |
| I really want Lennox to have the pool proposed. I am bothered by the fact that Lennox has known they needed a new pool >10 years ago. Why was a 8-10 years plan not put in place at that time. Also, our property is >300,000 and I just feel it to be unrealistic to want a pool enough to pay the proposed >\$660/year for 15 years. we would be able to get our own pool for that kind of money. i would like to see where the funds for the city are going so we could get a better picture of where our tax dollars are going. i would like to see the proposed pool but would like to explore other options for funding the pool. |
| don't feel a fancy pool is necessary we live so close to WWW |
| we don't want this pool. Drop it already. |
| make it the way it is now. 2025 is too long to wait. Do now. |
| no pool. Fix old one! |
| I think it's too much for this community to have to pay for all at once and should be done in phases if the City chooses to do a new pool |
| I feel that the community needs to offer this amenity for our citizens |
| a need for a small pool like we have for swimming lessons and recreation not a fancy place to show off |
| as stated above we need to ways to not only bring in new business but new housing to also lower tax base and keep up with surrounding communities. |
| Was this an option to begin with? Is this option cheaper than the one that was proposed through the vote? This looks like a reasonable option with similar/same opportunities with a cheaper price tag. Please do not wait until 2025 for access to a pool for our community. |
| The soon you can get kids back to the pool the better you will be in the long run |
| No pool now. Later when we are more fiscally sound |
| I personally don't think the pool will be the main reason that people and businesses move here. Reason is a pool is only open 2 months out of the year and it's very high maintenance. If you had some funding I think I would be more for it. |
| start with repair or replace what we have |

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| We need to research a pool liner for the old pool if we can't find a solution for the new pool |
| Does Lennox collect taxes from Koyker, then fix Boynton, Lennox drives it not the county |
| the pool does not have to be elaborate! Similar to what we have now is sufficient. |
| please provide bids/estimates and price breakdowns to residents to help everyone understand why this project is so costly |
| make more phases, allow public input/vote for what we think is needed right away. The rest can be phased in at later dates depending on usage. |
| the increase in taxes will drive them away. |
| I like the phase approach, however I would swap the order. |
| none of these options are suitable - give me another option that involves pool only then I might support this project. |
| In order to continue to draw families and grow the community a pool is a factor. |
| do it right or not at all |
| I believe we need to act soon for something and if the majority of folks are in favor of 2 phase approach - do it. We need this. Has the city considered reaching out and hiring a professional fundraiser - folks that are trained to do this and visit with business and health facilities I would love an enclosed pool that could be used by seniors for water aerobics, etc all year but we need help from outside Lennox Sanford/Avera |
| In regard to the comment after the no pool option. I feel new business will not come to town based on if we have a pool or not. They need to have employees able to live in town to enjoy the amenities. Currently our infrastructure is preventing us from growing. We need more housing for these new businesses to bring new employees who will in turn become new residents. New residents and new business equals more tax base. Our population and tax base cannot grow until we have the infrastructure to support it. How does the bond funding look if we can add an average of 10-20 homes per year over a 15 year period. Right now the funding burden falls on all of the current residents, funding that takes away the dollars for growth that could provide the additional tax base you speak of. You have asked them and they say they want better quality of life elements in town before they come to town. We build the amenities and then what? They live and pay taxes in Tea and Harrisburg while commuting to work in Lennox? How does that help? We lose by paying for the quality of life features and we lose by |
| Either way we slice it, it's going to the taxpayer money. And a town this size needs a quality of life amenity. We have ZERO! |
| Get it done!!! I grew up here, I LIVED at the pool all summer. Our families need something...we don't even have a decent park to play at!! |
| Why can't we just fix the pool we have? |
| I have mixed emotions on the options - we really need a pool for our kids (older and younger) and my kids will be older in 2 yrs when it opens and out of the house if we wait 10 years. |
| The way these questions are worded make you sound arrogant and defensive. I find it hard to believe that this price and these options are the only available choices. What would the cost of a slightly smaller indoor pool cost? I have talked to a few people in Lennox that would possibly be on board if we had something that could be used year round and perhaps be profitable. |
| these are not the options presented at the council meeting on 06/12/17; none of these options are appealing and are simply misleading...in 2025, 2-2.5mil isn't going to go very far when building a pool; where is the option for half GO bond and half sales tax bond? |
| very few residents will pay 2-2.5 million dollars straight up. Get something up and going right away. Too many projects the city does take forever to complete. Don't take 8 years to get a pool going. |
| is there any way to repair the bottom of the current pool and replace the bathhouse? |
| the town is not growing as is due to high taxes. Adding more taxes will not help. Even if we have a new pool. You need to get someone to install a pool that current tax revenue can pay for |
| The 8-10 year plan should have been put together 8-10 years ago like in other communities. I voted for the increase because we need it, but the city dropped the ball when they chose not to begin a plan for it years ago. Not the fault of current administration/council, but you are asking a lot from the citizens who have put up with high taxes/low amenities for a long |
| I do not feel a splash park is necessary if you have zero depth entry. Keep it simple. All the kids want to do is swim! |
| same type of set-up that we have. Look for grants. Beresford got a pool house paid for under a grant. Somebody actually work and look for a grant. Keep cost low. |
| more money out of city less out of property owners. Not our fault the city wasted 750,000 for a piece of property when they could have had it cheaper |
| what use is a city pool when all you can use it is for 2 months, get the school to offer an indoor pool which can be used year |
| build an indoor pool joining the school system to get it completed |
| need a pool to accommodate all age groups |

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| If these are the only options, then no pool. Funny how you use the word 'give' when referring to the bond. |
| None of those choices. Redo what is there and add on there is plenty you can do without spending as much as you are thinking |
| I'm in favor of building the full pool by passing a bond, but if that is not possible, I think 2025 is too long to wait to start. |
| have they considered indoor in assoc with high school? |
| The residents of Lennox can continue to raise money, before the city places and extra burden on its residents. |
| A pool need a larger tax base then the city has. |
| The main street of Lennox is becoming more and more a ghost town. There are many empty residences because people are moving out of Lennox with its high mill levy, inappropriate decisions, high utility charges. |
| None of the above. We don't need a big fancy pool. Replace the one we have in the same location. |
| With taxes as high as they are, a pool seems to be the least of our worries. Lower taxes and city growth will happen on it's own. Lowering taxes will attract more residents, and once growth is realized, projects, such as a pool, can materialize and be funded by a larger population. Lower taxes would be more attractive to people looking for a new place to live than a new pool. |
| I feel the community needs to look at a smaller size pool. |
| The phase plan only has a plan for day cares & small children for too long. We need something for school age children. Perhaps bussing to another city pool or WWW should be offered. |
| 4. Put a polypropylene liner in the existing pool make minor improvement. Build a similar pool and 5 years. WWW is 15 miles away Tea has a pool with a slide. Kids and parents just want a place to swim. A standard zero entry pool with a deep end / diving area that offers swimming lessons is all Lennox needs. If you wanted to add in a small splash park for babies and little kids I would also support that. We just need a pool similar to what we have. |
| Streets are a common complaint of people who visit Lennox. They are a necessity and a pool is something you get after a street plan has been put in place. |
| It needs to be done all at the same time but we can't wait 8-10 yrs for a pool. |
| Time frame? How long for/between each phase? |
| Are there any grants available for small communities for building a pool? |
| We need a pool, it doesn't need to be extravagant! |
| I think an enclosed pool would be a better option for south dakota then it could be used year round d |
| Save up for a pool. The taxes are to high in this town the way it is now. There are also ways to manage our money better....less city employees would be a good example |
| Re: the impact of new residents and businesses: Were these the same individuals who told you we needed to build a second water tower? Perhaps reducing the substantial number of low-income rental properties and randomly placed trailer parks surrounded by single family dwellings in town would assist in drawing more residents. |
| I do not agree with a 'separate splash park' for daycare kids. The daycare providers are certainly able to watch those kids in the main zero to 4' pool. They are being paid to watch those kids and don't feel the city needs to provide a separate area for them only! I feel this is a waste of city (my tax payer) money. |
| Let's just get it done. |
| Do it all at once! |
| I am sure this has probably been done, but have surrounding towns such as Beresford been visited to gather information on how they were successful in building their wonderful pool complex? |
| phases not best option, but think 2025 is too far out |
| If we can't get funding why can't we put a liner in our original pool???? |
| Complete it now...we are a young community with many families moving in!!! |
| I don't like the items in the phases but I think it should be done in phases |
| Why wasn't the old pool kept up and repaired or if you knew it was going to be completely useless at some point why wasn't money set aside for a future pool years ago? |
| I think we need to do this now. Financing is available at a reasonable rate. It will only get more expensive the longer we wait. |
| Option 4 - combine efforts with the school district and build an indoor facility for year-round use - \$5-6MM. |
| Lane swimming should not be a priority. If you have a regular pool with deepens that can be used for lane swimming. |
| The city needs to bring a full plan of a completed project to the public without future expenses not figured in |
| I feel we just need to step up and pay for this |

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| I would be more than happy to pay increased taxes within reason for a new pool. Without such amenities, rural towns cease to exist. However, the dollar amount proposed for the recent bond issues was a bit more than I was willing. My husband and I moved to town with the intention of starting our family here, so I definitely see a need. With that being said, people with small children also have monetary restrictions that make it difficult. Moreover, people like me (currently nearing the end of my doctoral training) have student loans to consider. Rural towns need to attract young families and professionals to thrive but unfortunately these individuals also have these financial considerations. |
| With any of these options, most families with children over 10 will be going elsewhere to swim and spending money in other towns. This needs to be figured out way sooner than 2025. |
| I really think the city needs to look at the budget and cut back. Meet the community half way. At this point, the citizens think the city is wasting our tax dollars already. Make some cuts and bond for half. At least this way the citizens know their tax dollars are going for good use and there is a commitment from the city. This city needs to realize Lennox has high- (very high) taxes and where is all the money going? Do we really need 7 police officers and so many city workers. |
| Best chances of passing |
| Fundraising and grants, not taxes, country people use the pool too but just city people pay the taxes!!! |
| We need street and curbs to get to things like pools or parks, don't put the cart in front of the horse. Would love to have a good pool for the kids but these things need to come first. |
| We are not a business growing community. This was affirmed at the informational meeting. Even when there was the pool, closing businesses outweighed new businesses coming in. A pool will not make this town, it's revenue that will make it. |
| Need more info |
| Basic pool. Same as now. There is no need for a \$2million dollar pool! |
| 10 years is too long I won't have any need for it by then. Will likely move to a community with a pool. |
| Again, I would encourage consideration for indoor pool with activities year round. |
| My kids are older and would use a deeper pool. A long term plan is necessary, with some money invested by the city as a show of good will, commitment of funds, and proof the council isn't just reacting but planning for the future. The council knew the pool was in bad shape years ago, but instead of planning then, we now have to "build a pool before it gets too expensive". This lies at the feet of past city council and our long-term mayor, who kept kicking the can down the road. |
| Most definitely in phases. Could even be 3 phases if needed. 8+ years is too much time to risk growth as we are trying to bring young families into the community. |
| No pool... unless the council members plan to pay for it out of their own pockets. They think it will be such a great money maker that they should welcome the opportunity to profit from a private venture. |
| Only if this means zero extra taxes. Sell bonds, grants, donations whatever no more taxes |
| Phase II should be completed first. It's easier to have backyard blow up pools for young children. |
| People have to live within their budget. Not everyone can afford luxuries |
| I don't feel that we can wait that long to bring pool facilities to our community. |
| If it's going to cost over a million for a simple pool like we had then we don't need it |
| I am hoping for a pool that would offer accessibility and lessons for all ages in a short amount of time. I would hate to wait 8-10 years for a new pool but would also hate to have my child miss out on lessons because he is too old/big. |
| If the council wants a pool so bad, they can pay for it. |
| I would be very disappointed if there was not a pool replaced at all or until 2025 as I stated we moved to Lennox a year ago and a big draw was having a pool my kids could walk to and enjoy and if the pool is not built till 2025 there is a good chance the interest will not be as strong as it is now |
| I would go with the option that offers a pool most quickly. |
| Number 3 |
| Lennox needs swimming lessons in town and a pool for our children! Whatever is the way to make it happen |
| Do the residents of Lennox want the town to grow? Did you ask them that? Will this ultimately lower my taxes? I DOUBT IT!!! |