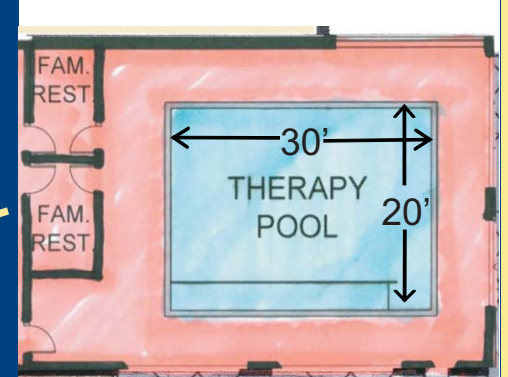


## The Pool



## The Building



## Amenities

Indoor therapy pool

Current channel .. Lap lanes

Water slide .. Toddler slide

Water bench .. Zero depth

Water play structure .. Diving board

## Question & Answer

**Q.** What will a new pool facility cost to build?

**A.** The preliminary cost estimate is \$2.95 million. This will include construction of the outdoor pool, therapy pool, locker rooms, office, and concession area. The location will be adjacent to the south side of the armory at 520 South 7th Street.

**Q.** How will we pay for the construction and operation of a new pool facility?

**A.** The City of Phillipsburg will be asking voters to consider the following question at the 4/5/2011 election:

Shall the following be adopted? Shall the City of Phillipsburg, Kansas be authorized to impose a one percent (1%) City-wide general purpose retailers' sales tax, the revenue from which will be applied to finance the costs of a City swimming pool project, to pay the costs of operating and maintaining that swimming pool and to finance general operating and capital improvement expenses of the City, with collection of such sales tax to commence on October 1, 2011, all pursuant to the provisions of K.S.A. 12-187 et seq., as amended?

The 1% City-wide sales tax will pay for the 20-year bond debt as well as the annual operating expenses which are paid through the City's general fund.

**Q.** Why can't we just remodel the existing pool?

**A.** Remodeling the existing pool would require the city to meet all the Federal/State requirements which include accessibility for the disabled and connection to the wastewater system. To connect to the wastewater system at the existing location in the park the city would be required to build a larger lift station and a new wastewater main to handle the flow of water. There is also limited space to make improvements.

## Question & Answer contd.

**Q.** Why will the operating expenses be more than the existing pool?

**A.** The existing pool is generally open for approximately 75 days a year. The new pool facility will have an indoor therapy pool which will be available for use approximately 360 days a year besides the outdoor pool which will be open during the summer.

**Q.** What is the sales tax rate in other communities?

**A.** If Phillipsburg adds the 1% sales tax our total sales tax will be 8.8%. Other area communities are:

Hays (Holiday Inn Express area) 10.55%

Hays (Home Depot area) 9.3%

Hays (other areas) 8.55%

Hill City 8.55%

Plainville 8.3%

Stockton 7.8%

Smith Center 7.8%

Norton 7.55%

Kearney, NE 7%

If you purchase a \$100 item, a 1% sales tax will increase your cost by \$1.00.

The current City sales tax will decrease by 0.5% in 12-years when the wastewater treatment plant debt is paid.

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