



Frequently Asked Questions

Why renew?

In 2012, the City of Terrace sought professional advice to identify a course of action between doing a pool renewal versus building new. The report concluded that the existing building and many of its operating components were in good shape and that with specific repairs, modifications and renewal the facility could continue to serve the community for many years to come.

Why not build new?

This renewal project will cost an estimated \$4.3 million dollars to complete versus many more millions on a new facility. Renewing this facility makes economic, environmental and social sense for our community.

Who is paying for this renewal project?

The project is being funded by the Federal Gas Tax Strategic Priorities Fund.

Has the Aquatic Centre had any other major renovations?

- 2014 west wall rebuilt with ventilation upgrades
- 2009 east wall rebuilt, boiler replaced, deck HVAC systems replaced
- 1998 lobby renovation
- 1987 east addition of the Leisure and Hot Pools

Will the Aquatic Centre be closed for a long time?

The amount of time the Aquatic Centre will be closed is unknown at this time. Once the engineered designs are completed we will be able to provide an estimated closure timeline.

Why is this project so important to Terrace and surrounding area?

The Terrace Aquatic Centre serves approximately 20,000 residents in the northwest area. It is the most well used facility in the community seeing 200,000+ people through its doors on a yearly basis.

How does this project benefit me when I don't use the Aquatic Centre?

Even though you may not be an active user of the Aquatic Centre this infrastructure is a vital part to our community's livability and improves the quality of life for many individuals. It provides a place for people of all ages and abilities to learn to swim, stay active and engage with others. The Aquatic Centre is a place to connect with yourself, your family and friends as well as your community.



Terrace Aquatic Centre



Frequently Asked Questions Continued

How will cost overruns on the project be avoided?

Undertaking a renovation of this scale requires building in appropriate contingencies for unforeseen circumstances and inflationary factors. The architect and design team we hire will have experience in developing budgets for projects of this nature.

When was this project scheduled to be done?

This project was scheduled to be done in phases over several years with the family change room and gutter repairs being the first of the projects to start in 2019. With the federal funding the entire project can now be completed at once and fast-tracked.

Are there any environmental benefits to this project?

Yes in terms of the overall project we are renewing an existing facility rather than building a new facility. This will enable us to utilize the existing structure and its environmental footprint as well as all of the components that are deemed to still have good value. Other environmental benefits will include efficiencies in heating and ventilation systems, reduction in the use of chemicals in the Leisure and Hot Pools, and improved water conservation with the gutter systems.

Where is the project at now?

Carscadden Stokes McDonald Architects Inc has been selected to provide design and consulting services for the project. A site visit is being planned for early June to finalize the conceptual plans. An opportunity for community input into the project will be made available at an Open House in late June.



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