

Swimming Pool Study 2024 - 2025

Gering, Nebraska

For almost half a century, Gering families and visitors have been making a splash at the Gering Municipal Swimming Pool located in Oregon Trail Park. Built in 1977, it was meant to serve the community's aquatic recreation needs, providing a safe environment for aquatic activities. Over the years, significant repairs have been necessary to keep the pool running smoothly and safely.



Recognizing the importance of managing finances wisely, the City is in the initial steps of conducting a feasibility study of the swimming pool facility. This study aims to understand the community's needs regarding the pool, ensuring that decisions about its future are well-informed and beneficial for everyone involved. Help us make a splash by providing your input and feedback for community leaders in prioritizing pool improvements to elevate the community's quality of life. Hard copies of the survey are available at the City Offices. Kindly fill out the survey by July 7th, 2024. The survey is also available at <https://shout.com/s/xfWU7I2g>.

1. How often do you use the following recreational amenities?

<i>(please check the appropriate box)</i>	Daily	Weekly	Monthly	Never
Swimming Pool	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

2. How do you rate the condition of the following recreational amenities?

<i>(please check the appropriate box)</i>	Excellent	Good	Poor	No Opinion
Swimming Pool	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

3. Is the swimming pool facility clean and well-maintained?

- All of the Time Most of the Time Seldom Never

<i>(please check the appropriate box)</i>	Yes	No	Neutral
4. Should the City renovate the existing swimming pool?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
5. Should the City build a new swimming pool?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
6. Would your household be interested in a summer swim team?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
7. Would your household be interested in outdoor summer swimming lessons?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
8. Would your household benefit from an outdoor water fitness class?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

9. How often would your family use a new/renovated swimming pool facility?

- Daily Weekly Monthly Never

10. If a new swimming pool is constructed, what location do you think would be best?

- Same Location Different Location Please Specify the Location: _____

11. What amenities would you like to have at the Gering Swimming Pool? Please prioritize them based on your preferences.

Lap Lanes (25 yards for exercise, lessons, lap swimming)	1	2	3	4
Lap Lanes (25 meters for competitive swimming)	1	2	3	4
Water Slide(s)	1	2	3	4
1 Meter (low) Diving Board	1	2	3	4
3 Meter (high) Diving Board	1	2	3	4
Shallow Water Spray Features	1	2	3	4

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| 1 = Not needed |
| 2 = Low Priority |
| 3 = Medium Priority |
| 4 = High Priority |

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Toddler Slide	1	2	3	4
Zero Depth / Beach Entry	1	2	3	4
Water Aerobics / Water Exercise Class	1	2	3	4
Concession Stand	1	2	3	4
Family Changing Room/Shower	1	2	3	4
Evening / Night Swimming	1	2	3	4

12. How important do you think the City's swimming pool is to the economic future of Gering?

- Very unimportant
 Unimportant
 Important
 Very Important
 Not Applicable

13. Which options should the City explore to pay for swimming pool improvements? (please check all that apply)

- Grant Funding
 Private Donations
 Tax Revenue
 User Fees
 Other (please specify): _____

14. Please rate your willingness to support the City's swimming pool project through increased occupation taxes, property taxes, etc.

Occupation Taxes	1	2	3	4	NA
Property Taxes	1	2	3	4	NA
Other	1	2	3	4	NA

1 = Very Unwilling
 2 = Unwilling
 3 = Willing
 4 = Very Willing
 NA = Not Applicable

15. Would you consider donating privately for a new/renovated swimming pool facility?

- Yes
 Maybe
 Not at this Time
 Need More Information

16. What is your sex?

- Male
 Female
 Prefer not to disclose

17. What is your age?

- 19 years and younger
 20-39 years
 40-59 years
 60 years and older

18. Please specify the number of individuals in your household for each age group listed below.

- No other members
 ___ 0 – 4 years
 ___ 5 – 9 years
 ___ 10 – 14 years
 ___ 15 – 19 years
 ___ 20 – 29 years
 ___ 30 – 39 years
 ___ 40 – 49 years
 ___ 50 – 59 years
 ___ 60 years and older

19. What community are you a resident of?

- Gering
 Scottsbluff
 Terrytown
 Rural Scotts Bluff County
 Other (please specify): _____

20. How long have you lived in the community?

- Less than 1 year
 1 – 5 years
 6 – 10 years
 More than 10 years

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21. List any other comments here: _____

Thank you for taking the time to answer all survey questions! Your responses are confidential, and the survey results will be presented only as community-wide percentages. Please return the completed survey to the Gering City Office by July 7th, 2024.