

**COMMUNITY CENTER BUILDING COMMITTEE (CCBC)**  
**POOL DISCUSSION SESSION WITH BARGMANN HENDRIE &**  
**ARCHETYPE, INC. (BH&A)**

**2:00 PM WEDNESDAY, JULY 30, 2025**

**ZOOM SESSION**

**2:00 PM – Pool Discussion Session (started at 2:00 p.m.)**

Present: CCBC members: David Cohen, Peter Murray Bill Olsen, Richard Raimondi and Gregory Schwab and BH&A representatives: Joel Bargmann Architect and Tom Scarlata

The group discussed the following topics concerning the pool facility for the proposed York Community Center:

**A. Essential Pool Parameters**

1. Minimum of six lanes;
2. High school competition length: (25 yards), depth: (diving block end: 6', flip end: 3' 6" – 4');
3. Zero entry access;
4. Family/fun components;
5. Balance of revenue-generating and practical aspects;
6. A spectator viewing area;
7. An indoor pool; no need for an outdoor pool;
8. LED lighting to meet environmental codes; no lighting above pool itself;
9. Section of pool that would be deep enough for boat safety, kayak flip training, and lifeguard training; and
10. Slide(s) in recreational area: 3' 6" depth.

**B. Considerations and Options for Pool Facility**

1. Recreation swim teams may need to use both ends for take-offs during relays;
2. Zero depth access point(s) may be separated from the competition lane pool;
3. Duplicate filter systems would be advisable if two pools (competition and recreational) are in facility;
4. Use of stairs instead of ladders are preferred for an older population;

5. A spectator viewing room with monitors and viewing window; could be used also for the gymnasium if it abutted the natatorium;
6. Dual pools (a competition/lane pool and a recreational pool) allows the flexibility of operating at least one pool in the advent of a mechanical or hygiene issue with the other pool;
7. Pool siding (plaster, tile, or combination);
8. Natural lighting options for the natatorium;
9. Construction and operating costs of one pool or two pools;
10. Publicity demonstrating that the proposed multi-generational pool facility would meet the needs of all York residents and that York is a “water dependent” town for tourism;
11. A 45’ wide pool would allow for all 6 lanes to have lane lines to prevent wave action;
12. Presentation of essentials for natatorium at charette in September, and
13. Differences between pool outlined in the Feasibility Study report and a natatorium discussed today.

**C. Resources for Pool Facility Decisions**

1. Coastal Endurance has a list of all pools in Maine;
2. BH&A works with a Colorado group that has data on usage of pool facilities in relationship to town population; and
3. Area communities with pool facilities that desired components:
  - i. Sudbury;
  - ii. Portsmouth; and
  - iii. Exeter.

At 2:55 pm the pool discussion session concluded.

Respectfully submitted,  
Gregory Schwab  
Secretary