



Western Elmore County Recreation District

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WECRD AQUATIC CENTER IN MOUNTAIN HOME IDAHO



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History of the District

In 1998, in response to the request of concerned citizens a Blue Ribbon Committee representing a broad cross section of the community (business owners, educators, parents and involved community leaders) was formed. The focus was to determine the interest of the Greater Mountain Home Community in expanded recreation and cultural opportunities. Mt Home was poised for continued significant growth and the creation of a recreation district would be a positive and proactive response to those changes. In 2001, the WECRD was established to provide adequate recreation facilities for public use in Elmore County and in 2003 the board selected a facility site to begin work on bringing the community of Mountain Home year-round recreational opportunities.

A multipurpose community center serves as a hub for various activities, including education, recreation, social gatherings, and more. By investing in such a facility, taxpayer funds are used to enhance community cohesion, promote physical and mental well-being, provide spaces for learning and skill development, and foster a sense of belonging among residents. Additionally, our center will offer programs and services that benefit individuals of all ages and backgrounds, contributing to the overall enrichment of the community and potentially even generating economic benefits in the long run.

Over the years the blueprint of the recreational facility has changed but the mission remained the same to bring the community a year-round family recreational facility. **The Aquatic Center is just the beginning of many possibilities.**





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Who Benefits and the Economic Impact

Community Wants & Needs

1. Year-Round access to recreation/physical activities
2. Water based therapy (Boise/Twin Falls closest options)
3. Adequate after school programs
4. Adequate resources to Whole Health programs
5. Water Safety/Education – swim lessons
6. Senior Fitness/mobility
7. Swim Teams – Practice and competitions

Community Impact

1. Year-Round access to recreation/physical activities
2. Dynamic and inclusive space to serve diverse needs
3. Space for Education, Training, and Workshops
4. Water based therapy
5. Adequate after school programs
6. Adequate resources to Whole Health programs
7. Preventative Care
8. Water Safety/Education – swim lessons
9. Senior Fitness/mobility
10. Swim Teams – Practice and competitions
11. Employment Opportunities/Volunteer Opportunities
12. Social Gatherings for Cultural Events/Celebrations
13. Community activities
14. Aligns with City of Mountain Home's 2020 Comprehensive Plan



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Why a Sprung Building

Rapid Construction - Faster build rate than brick and mortar, Minimal foundation requirements depending on soil

Design Flexibility - Non corroding aluminum substructure and ultra-durable membrane are built to last. Almost an indefinite lifespan

Performance and Durability - Energy efficient, Robust tension system built to sustain extreme weather

Lower overall costs - attractive finish eliminates the need to refinish the interior/exterior walls, the superior airtightness of the building envelope increases the efficiency of the insulation and lowers HVAC and other operating costs.

Indoor Pool Facility

- Multi purpose and multi generational
- Two Separate Multi purpose rooms
- Six lane competitive lap pool
- Family/leisure pool
- Zero depth entry
- Lazy river
- Waterslide





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Timeline of the Aquatic Center Project

Pool design was completed in 2019 by Lombard Conrad Architects. Wright Brothers was hired as the construction manager. Work began in 2019 on the Aquatic Center

Phase I - Completed December 2019
Frontage Sidewalks/curbs
Utility Lines
Irrigation sleeves

Phase II – Completed July 2020
Parking Lots
Sidewalks
Light Poles

Phase III – Completed 2022
Groundbreaking ceremony
Excavation of lap pool/recreation pool
Plumbing/Electrical
Concrete work/foundation

Phase IV – Completed September 2023
Sprung Structure purchased/installed

2019

2020

2021

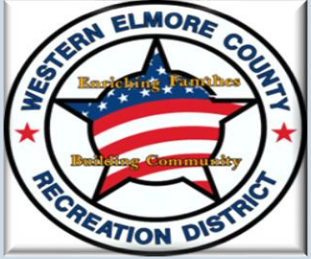
2022

2023

2024 / 2025

Phase V – Completed October 2025
Concrete
Tile work
Garage Doors
Doors/Windows
Metal Trim Fabrication
Punch List / Inspection





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Current Status of the Aquatic Center Project

Completed!

- ✓ Sprung Structure
- ✓ Parking Lot
- ✓ Concrete
- ✓ Garage Doors
- ✓ Doors/Windows
- ✓ Metal Trim
- ✓ Therapy/Leisure Pool
- ✓ 6-Lane Lap/competition Pool
- ✓ Tile work
- ✓ Site Clean Up
- ✓ Bid packages
- ✓ RFQs Notice published
- ✓ Bids from local CMs...
- ✓ Contracts and Estimates



SCOPE OF WORK FOR THE NEXT 6 MONTHS!

ANDERSEN CONSTRUCTION PHASE I

- ✓ Architects built bid packages for this new phase
- ✓ RFQs Notice published in MH News
- ✓ Bids from local CMs...
- ✓ Signed with Andersen Construction to finish final phase
- ✓ Processing/Reviewing Contracts
- ✓ Bids/Estimates

Masonry - Interior Walls/Ceilings

- admin offices
- multipurpose rooms
- front desk area
- locker rooms/restrooms

Doors/Frames/Hardware

Glazing

Metal Framing/Gypsum

Paint

Fire Sprinkler

Rough In for Plumbing

Rough In for Electrical

What is Next

- HVAC
- Pool Pumps
- Lockers
- Benches
- Bleachers
- Landscaping
- Fencing
- Waterslide
- Slide Tower
- Diving blocks
- Handicap Lifts
- Play Structure
- Lifeguard Chairs



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Construction costs for the Next 6 Months - Andersen Phase I

Estimated Costs for the Next 6 months

MASONRY	\$591,303.00
DOORS/FRAMES/HARDWARE	\$90,550.00
GLAZING	\$49,997.00
METAL FRAMING/GYPSUM	\$196,670.00
PAINT	\$37,001.00
FIRE SPRINKLER	\$39,200.00
PLUMBING	\$247,296.00
ELECTRICAL	\$137,841.00
ROOFING	\$68,000.00
SITE REQ-LABOR/EQUIPMENT	\$45,000.00
COST OF WORK	\$1,502,858.00
GC - SUPERVISION, PART-TIME	\$102,060.00
LIABILITY INSURANCE	\$12,037.00
CONTINGENCY	\$130,618.00
FEE (3%)	\$52,427.00
TOTAL	\$1,800,000.00





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Approved 25-26 Budget

ANNUAL REVENUE:	
Tax Revenue	\$ 753,239
Carry Over	\$ 116,576
Other Income	
Interest	\$ 6,000
Total Estimated Revenue	\$ 875,815
ANNUAL EXPENSES:	
Operating Expenses:	
Advertising & Marketing	\$ 2,500
Dues & Subscriptions	\$ 500
Insurance & Bonding	\$ 10,000
Maint./Repair/Cleaning	\$ 500
Miscellaneous	\$ 500
Office Equipment	\$ 1,500
Office Supplies & Postage	\$ 1,000
Payroll & Payroll Taxes	\$ 40,000
Printing & Reproduction	\$ 600
Professional Services	
Accounting	\$ 6,000
Legal	\$ 6,000
Professional Training	\$ 1,000
Rent	\$ 5,500
Technology & Website	\$ 3,000
Utilities	\$ 5,000
Project expenses	\$ 693,547
Reserve	\$ 98,668
Total Estimated Expenses:	\$ 875,815

TAX REVENUE RECEIVED

FY 2019-2020 - **\$587,026.44**
 FY 2020-2021 - **\$657,898.55**
 FY 2021-2022 - **\$691,316.67**
 FY 2022-2023 - **\$727,073.82**
 FY 2023-2024 - **\$750,439.35**
 FY 2024-2025 - **\$760,314.57**
 FY 2025-2026 -

TAX REVENUE OVER THE YEARS		
FISCAL YEAR	REVENUE BUDGETED	REVENUE RECEIVED
FY 2001-2002	\$255,673.73	\$213,416.71
FY 2002-2003	\$219,661.50	\$225,465.54
FY 2003-2004	\$231,460.50	\$223,145.16
FY 2004-2005	\$219,000.00	\$237,907.70
FY 2005-2006	\$231,495.00	\$246,743.48
FY 2006-2007	\$248,400.00	\$256,777.59
FY 2007-2008	\$403,000.00	\$414,512.74
FY 2008-2009	\$415,090.00	\$416,122.41
FY 2009-2010	\$441,687.00	\$444,739.14
FY 2010-2011	\$446,878.00	\$453,711.88
FY 2011-2012	\$449,712.00	\$469,999.68
FY 2012-2013	\$449,712.00	\$460,845.08
FY 2013-2014	\$454,000.00	\$466,587.63
FY 2014-2015	\$464,164.00	\$475,557.55
FY 2015-2016	\$462,016.00	\$481,185.86
FY 2016-2017	\$327,054.00	\$345,082.33
FY 2017-2018	\$287,016.00	\$303,746.14
FY 2018-2019	\$525,016.00	\$543,603.74
FY 2019-2020	\$561,472.00	\$587,026.44
FY 2020-2021	\$629,747.00	\$657,898.55
FY 2021-2022	\$644,763.00	\$691,316.67
FY 2022-2023	\$679,007.00	\$727,073.82
FY 2023-2024	\$710,000.00	\$750,439.35
FY 2024-2025	\$743,422.00	\$760,314.57
FY 2025-2026		



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FUTURE OF WECRD



SO MANY POSSIBILITIES....

Splash Pad

Tennis Courts

Pickleball Court

Basketball/Multi-Sport Game Court

Soccer Field

Walking/Bike Path

Amphitheater

Outdoor Movie Theater

Open Park with grills and picnic tables, benches

Outdoor Classroom

Community Garden

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