

# ***Timnath Community Recreation Center Proposal***

## ***Fitness & Fun For Everyone***

### **INTRODUCTION**

#### **Why is the Town of Timnath considering placing a funding proposal on the November 4, 2025 ballot?**

Based on results from the recently conducted Parks, Recreation, Open Space and Trails (PROST) Master Plan and Recreation Feasibility Study, the Town of Timnath seeks to construct, operate, and maintain a new Timnath Community Recreation Center that would expand and enhance year-round recreational opportunities for residents of all ages and abilities. Over 94% of Timnath Residents that responded to the PROST Master Plan survey supported the addition of a community recreation center.

#### **Would a sales and use tax be used to fund the new Timnath Community Recreation Center?**

Yes. The Town of Timnath is considering seeking a sales and use tax to construct and operate the \$98 million community recreation center. For more information about the proposed sales and use tax, see the FINANCING section below.

#### **How has the Town identified and prioritized the community's parks and recreation needs?**

Last year, while completing a PROST Master Plan, the Town conducted extensive community engagement to gather public feedback and better understand residents' current and future recreational needs. Through in-person events, focus groups, stakeholder meetings, employee feedback, comment cards, and a communitywide survey, a strong demand for a community recreation center became evident.

#### **Is the Town's population projected to increase?**

Timnath's population is expected to double in the next decade. The proposed community recreation center would accommodate current needs and future growth.

#### **How has the community been involved in developing the plan?**

A 25-member Citizen Task Force met this spring to evaluate the plan, provide feedback, make recommendations, and help shape the funding proposal. This summer, a public opinion survey will be mailed and made available online to all registered voter households, providing valuable insights that will play an important role in guiding the Town's next steps.

#### **When will a final decision be made regarding the possible sales tax proposal?**

After carefully evaluating community feedback, the Town will decide in late summer whether to place a funding measure on the November 2025 ballot.

## POTENTIAL BENEFITS

### How would the Town of Timnath benefit from a new community recreation center?

- Improving residents' overall quality of life
- Providing year-round, indoor access to certain sports, recreational programs, and fitness spaces
- Promoting healthy lifestyle choices
- Keeping seniors, families, teens, and children active and engaged
- Strengthening community connections
- Enabling expanded and improved programming for all ages
- Attracting families, professionals, and businesses to the community
- Protecting property values

### How would residents that don't plan to use the community recreation center still benefit?

Just as having quality amenities positively impacts the community, having robust, diverse recreational offerings adds value, attracting new residents and businesses to the Town while helping to maintain property values.

## PROPOSED NEW COMMUNITY RECREATION CENTER DETAILS

### How large is the proposed recreation center?

The current plan calls for a two-story, 109,000-sq-ft facility that will accommodate today's community-identified programs and amenities while proactively preparing for future growth.

### Financing Plain – Proposed User Fees

Fees	Daily	Monthly	Annual
<b>Resident</b>			
Adult	6.00	40.00	396.00
Senior	5.00	25.00	248.00
Youth	5.00	25.00	248.00
Family	20.00	66.00	480.00
<b>Non-resident (increased 30%)</b>			
Adult	7.80	52.00	514.80
Senior	6.50	32.50	322.40
Youth	6.50	32.50	322.40
Family	26.00	85.80	624.00

## **What amenities would the proposed new Timnath Community Recreation Center include?**

The proposed indoor amenities being considered for the community recreation center include:

- Aquatics
  - Competition/lap pool with eight swimming lanes, a one-meter diving board, and spectator seating
  - Leisure/activity pool with zero-depth entry, lazy river, water slide, and spray features
  - Warm-water therapy pool with wide entry stairs
  - 15-person whirlpool/spa
- Gymnasium with three full-size sports courts and spectator seating
- Multi-use activity gym with spectator seating
- Elevated, multi-lane walk/jog track
- Fitness/weight rooms
- Two group fitness/dance studios
- Party and games rooms
- Indoor play space and child watch area
- Senior adult lounge
- 240-person community room/event hall
- Catering/commercial kitchen
- Locker rooms, restrooms, and lobby

## **What aquatic features are included?**

The proposal features three indoor swimming pools and a whirlpool/spa, each designed to meet specific user needs.

### **Competition/Lap Pool**

*Ideal for lap swimming, swim practice, swim team meets*

- 4,500 sq ft
- 8-Lane x 25-yard lanes
- Holds 344 swimmers
- Spectator seating for 200
- 1m diving board

### **Recreation/Activity Pool**

*Ideal for families, children, leisure swimming, and more*

- 3,600 sq ft
- Holds 360 swimmers
- Zero-depth entry
- Spray and jet features
- Lazy river

- Water slide

### **Warm-Water Therapy Pool**

*Ideal for swim instruction, physical therapy, aquatic exercise classes*

- 1,200 sq ft
- Holds 140 bathers
- Wide entry stairs
- Accessible ramps

### **Whirlpool/Spa**

*Ideal for therapeutic relaxation, socialization*

- 15-person capacity

### **Where would the community recreation center be located?**

The proposed community recreation center would be centrally located adjacent to the new Timnath Parkway and 4th Avenue. This site is already owned by the Town and would provide convenient access and the opportunity for ample parking.

### **How big is the proposed indoor walk/jog track?**

The proposed elevated walk/jog track would have multiple lanes, with nine laps equaling one mile.

### **How big are the proposed gymnasiums and what sports courts would be included?**

The main gymnasium would have three multi-sport courts for basketball, volleyball, pickleball, badminton, and other activities. The multi-use activity gym would have one multi-sport court. Both spaces would include spectator seating.

### **What types of equipment is being considered for the fitness area?**

The 8,000-sq-ft fitness room would likely feature cardio equipment, circuit training machines, free weight stations, and other functional fitness equipment. The current plan also calls for an outdoor fitness/training area with synthetic turf for fresh-air workouts.

### **How big are the proposed group fitness/dance studios?**

Two group fitness/dance studios are included in the current plan, an 800-sq-ft room for up to 20 users and a 2,000-sq-ft space that accommodates 35 users.

### **How large is the proposed community/events space and how would it be used?**

The proposed 3,000-sq-ft community room/events hall would accommodate up to 240 guests. With retractable partitions, the room could be divided into three 960-sq-ft areas. The multipurpose space would be suitable for parties, meetings, community events, and more.

### **How would the catering kitchen be used?**

A proposed catering kitchen with commercial appliances and a warming area would be located adjacent to the community room and be available during functions. Two classroom spaces located on the opposite side of the kitchen would also provide opportunities for cooking classes or other culinary programming.

#### **How would the community recreation center serve the needs of active seniors?**

The current layout of the proposed community recreation center features a senior lounge for socializing and engaging in activities and other programming. Seniors might also enjoy using the walk/jog track, playing pickleball in the gymnasium, swimming in the lap pool, soaking in the whirlpool/spa, working out in the fitness spaces, renting a party room, and more.

#### **What kinds of spaces would be included for children and teens?**

The proposed community recreation center would have many amenities and programming for children and teens, including a game room with E-sports, a classroom, an indoor play area, and a short-term child watch room. Youth sports and activities would take place in the gymnasiums. Additionally, the recreation/activity pool has zero-depth entry, water slide, lazy river, and spray features, making it an accessible play space for families and children of all ages.

### **FINANCING: SALES AND USE TAX MEASURE**

#### **What size sales and use tax is the Town considering?**

The Town of Timnath is considering placing a 1.25% sales and use tax proposal on the November 4, 2025, ballot. This equates to 12.5 cents on a \$10 purchase. Purchasing \$4,000 worth of taxable goods in Timnath would result in a \$50 tax.

#### **How long would the sales and use tax be in place?**

If approved by voters, the 1.25% sales and use tax would remain in place until the recreation center construction financing is paid off. At that point, the tax would be reduced to 0.25%. Those revenues would go toward operating and maintaining the community recreation center.

#### **Why is a sales and use tax being pursued rather than a property tax increase?**

The Town of Timnath believes pursuing a sales and use tax makes more sense than requesting a property tax increase, because it would:

- Ease the tax burden on property owners
- Capitalize on the high volume of out-of-town shoppers at the Town's major retailers
- Generate revenue faster than a property tax increase
- Eventually be reduced to 0.25% to help operate and maintain the recreation center

### **OVERSIGHT & FEEDBACK OPPORTUNITIES**

**How can residents provide input?**

A public opinion survey will be mailed to all registered voter households this summer. The Town of Timnath will also be hosting public information meetings. Following are the first three meetings:

**Timnath Town Center**

4750 Signal Tree Drive, Timnath, CO 80547

- Public Meeting #1: Monday, May 22, 6:30-7:30 pm
- Public Meeting #2: Saturday, May 31, 9:00-10:00 am
- Public Meeting #3: Thursday, June 5, 6:30-7:30 pm

**How would project updates be shared if the plan is approved?**

The Town of Timnath would transparently share project details with the public by providing construction and spending updates at Board meetings, community information meetings, and on its website at [www.timnath.org](http://www.timnath.org).

**What if residents have additional questions?**

Questions can be directed to Tom Casal, Parks & Recreation Director, at (970) 224-3211, Ext. 1301, or [tcasal@timnathgov.com](mailto:tcasal@timnathgov.com).