

POOL/SPA REPAIR AND UPGRADE PROJECT:

History:

Age of the pool is 35 +/- Years.

Inground Pool & Spa started having issues 15 +/- Years ago. Inground spa was filled in with gravel and topped off with concrete. Inground spa was permanently shut down for use.

Existing pool started having issues 10 +/- years ago. New Fiberglass coating was applied to the inside of the pool as a repair solution.

Pool begins having issues again after a few years. An additional new paint/coating was applied to the inside of the pool 5 +/- years ago.

Pool continues to have issues during the last few seasons. Pool maintenance crew unable to keep pool healthy. It was determined that the pool is no longer usable since it cannot keep chemicals inside the pool and is unsafe to users.

It was recommended by a pool contractor to replace existing pool. A price for replacement of pool was received. This initial price did not include all the work and it was determined that the price received was higher than industry standards. Entire project cost was estimated to be more than \$500,000/- at minimum.

Present Day Pool Issues:

Fiberglass surface coating which was installed 10+/- years ago is separating from the original pool surface. Water is trapped between the fiberglass coating and original pool surface. Original pool tiles are separating from the concrete surface. Separation of fiberglass coating from the subsurface has created sharp edges which in turn has become a safety hazard to all users. Pool equipment is not effectively circulating water. Water and Chemicals are seeping in & out from the pool making it impossible to maintain any chemicals inside the pool. Pipe penetrations inside the pool are leaking. Wood decking installed surrounding the pool surface is allowing dirt and water to directly flow into the pool adding more issues to keeping up with the cleanliness of the pool.

Progress and Intent of the Lulu City Board:

After reaching out to many pool contractors we were lucky to find a reputable contractor who is on board with us to walk us through the process of rehabilitating as well as upgrading our pool. We are advised that the inground spa could be brought back into service. An independent leak detection company was hired to test all the inground pool piping as well as pool equipment. After initial investigation, it was clear that we could repair and upgrade existing pool and bring it back to normal operating standards. At this time, we are working to determine if we can bring inground spa back to life as well.

At present we are moving forward with the intention of getting existing pool and inground spa back to fully operational condition before the next season. Challenges we have are shortage of labor, shortage of pool equipment and shortage of pool supplies due to the increased demand in the pool industry during the pandemic.

Lulu city board is working with many individual contractors to get this project up and running in a timely fashion. We will be updating the status of the pool project during our board meetings and if necessary, through additional meetings as well.