

Horton Pool Project Suffers Setback

(KNZA)--Plans for the construction of a new municipal swimming pool in the Brown County community of Horton suffer another setback.

City Administrator/City Clerk Kim Clausen tells MSC News bids were opened last Friday for the project and the five bids received all came in well over budget.

Clausen says city officials are not sure at this point if they will put the project out for bid again or work with the bids they have.

She said they are trying to determine what's making the bids so high, and think it might be the shower house.

In January, the City Commission rejected the lone bid received for the project after it came in over budget and voted to re-bid it with a completion date of May 1st, 2018.

Horton voters last August approved a one-percent citywide retailers sales tax to fund construction of a new pool. Collection of the tax began January 1st of this year and will be in effect for 20 years.

The new pool is to be constructed at the site of the current pool which has been closed the past several seasons and is no longer insurable due to safety issues.

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