Queens Community Aquatic Society

An Update

January 24, 2017

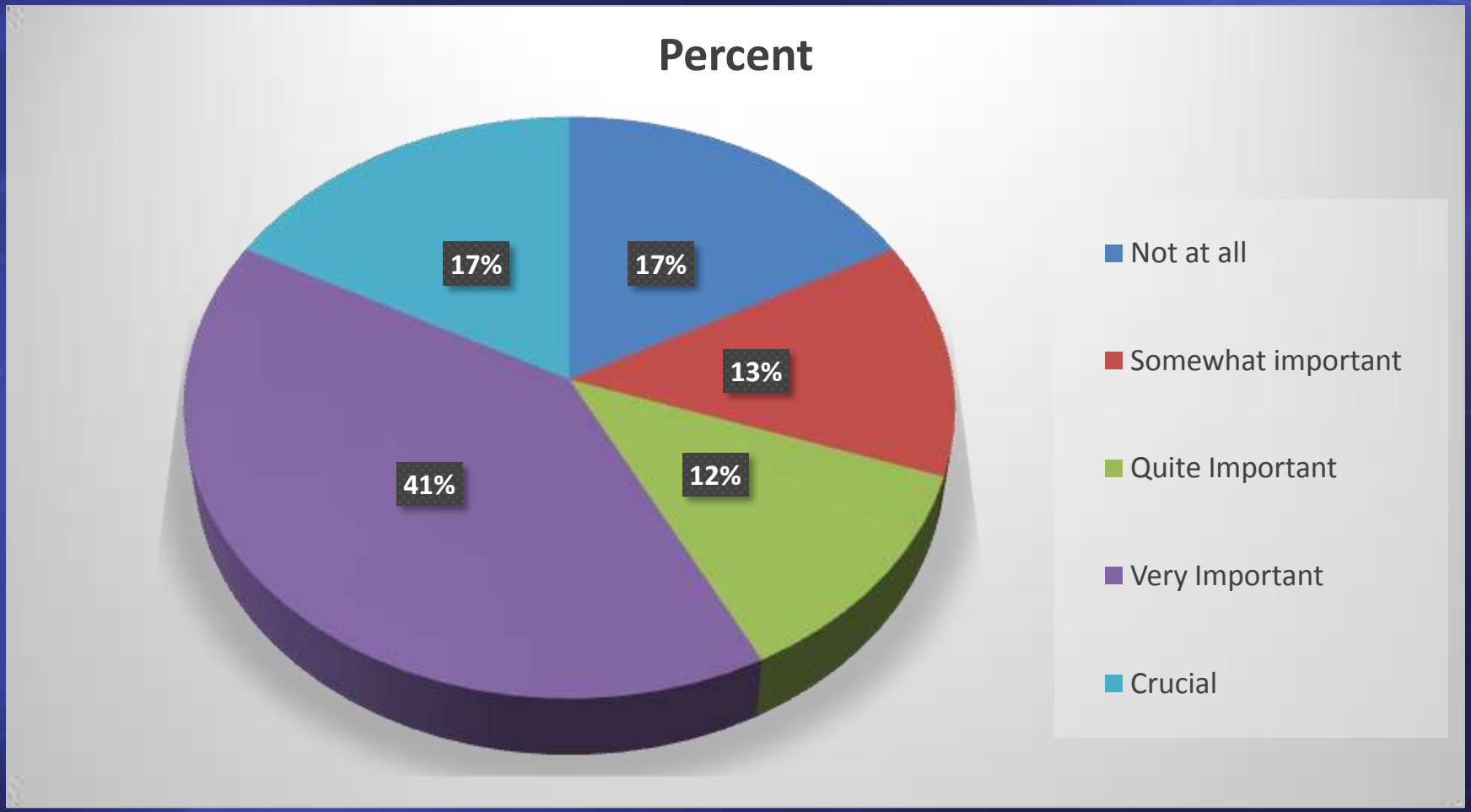
Activities Since December 2015

- Ongoing meetings with CAO
- Attended meeting of presentation of Architect 49
- Met with MP Bernadette Jordan
- Met with MLA Sterling Belliveau
- Created website
- Worked with NSHA to create questionnaire
- Distributed, collected, and analyzed data from questionnaire

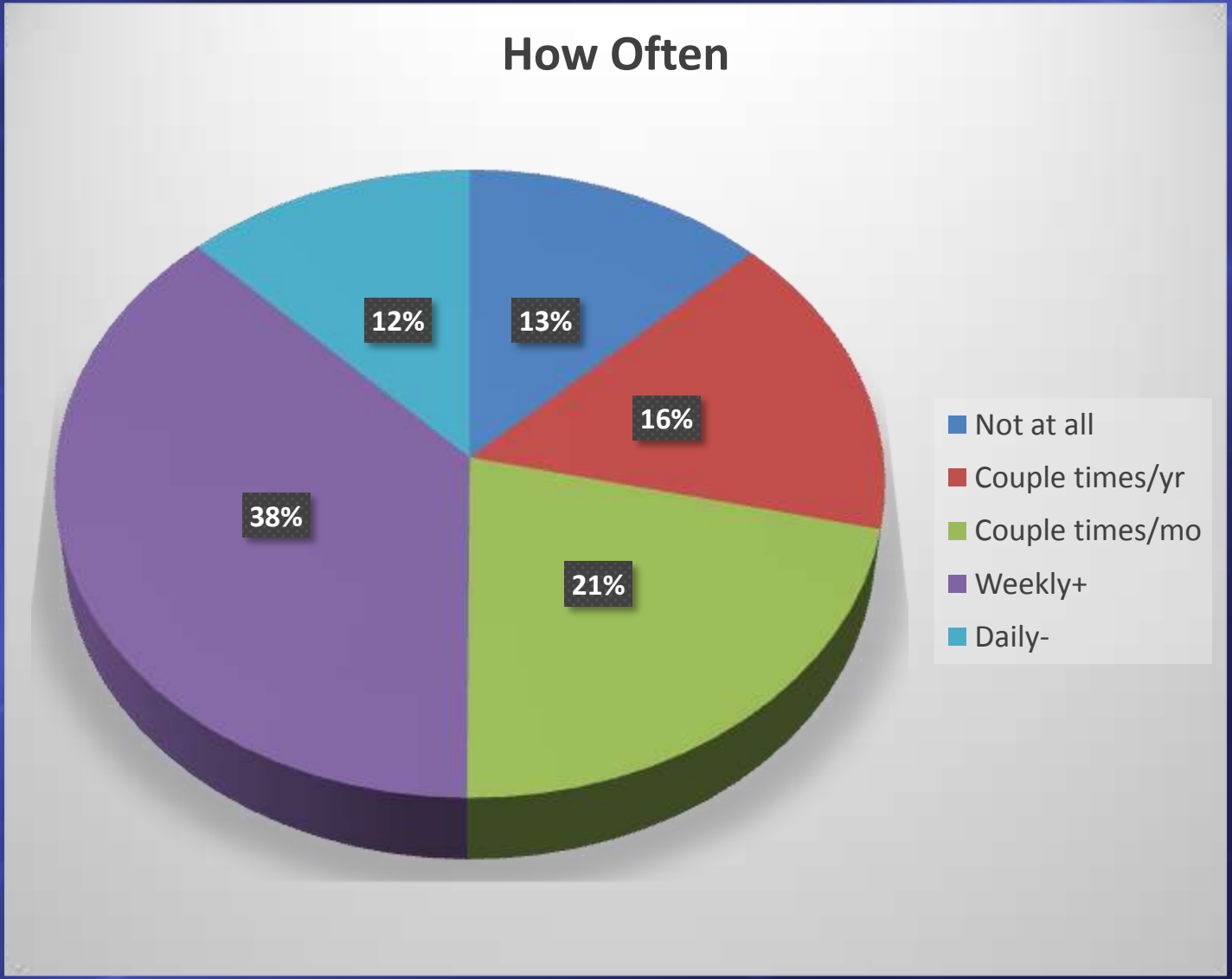
Who Participated?

- 761 Adults:
- 557 online
- 204 on paper
- 188 Youth online
- 946 Total
- Ages 11-88
- Even spread of education and income among adults

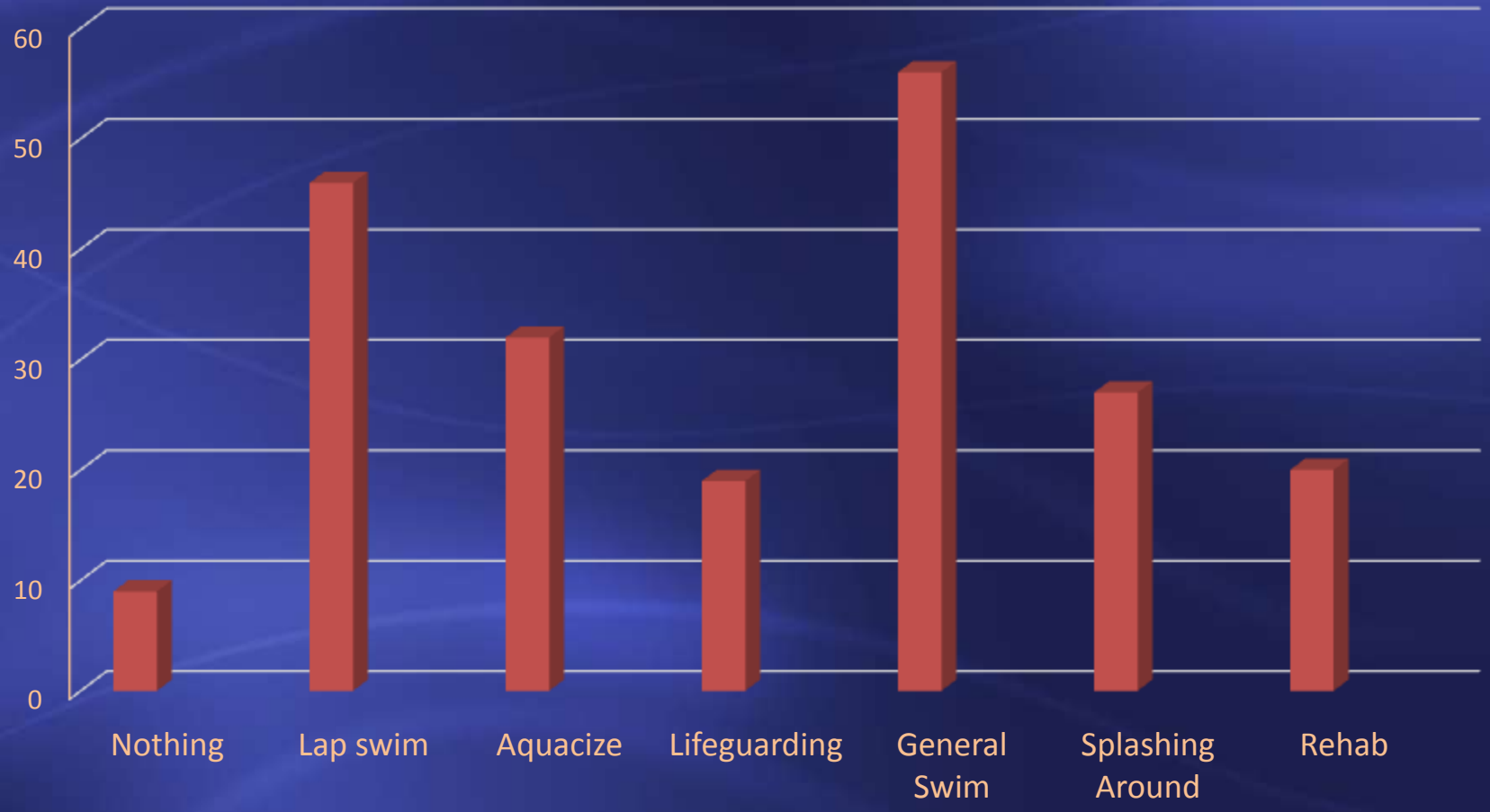
How Important is Year Round Pool



How Often Would you Use Pool ?



What Would you Do in Pool?



23% youth want lifesaving

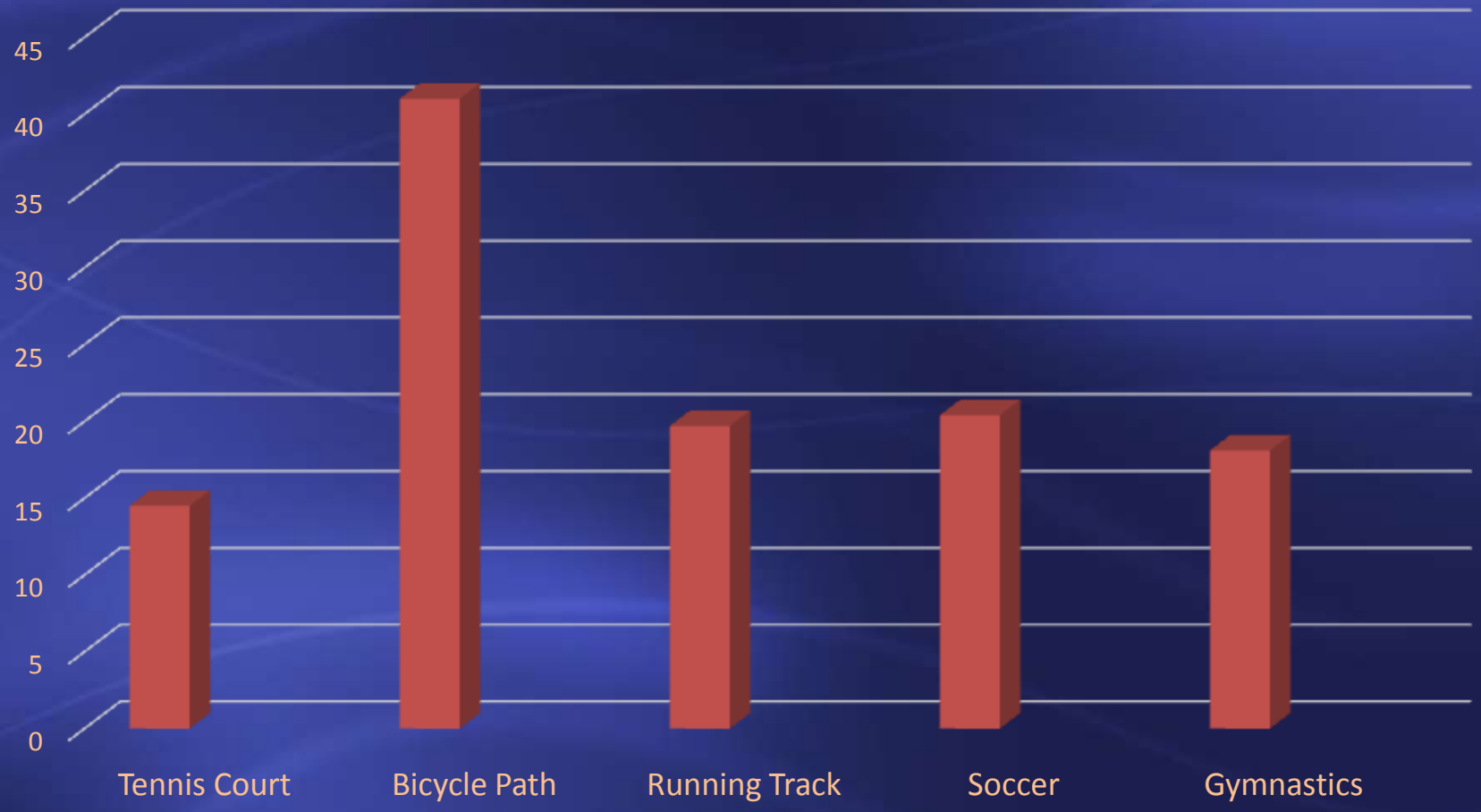
A Few Comments from Youth

- Elizabeth Smart
- Jordyn Duffney
- Georgia Williams
- Caleb Anthony

What Would You Like to See in Pool?



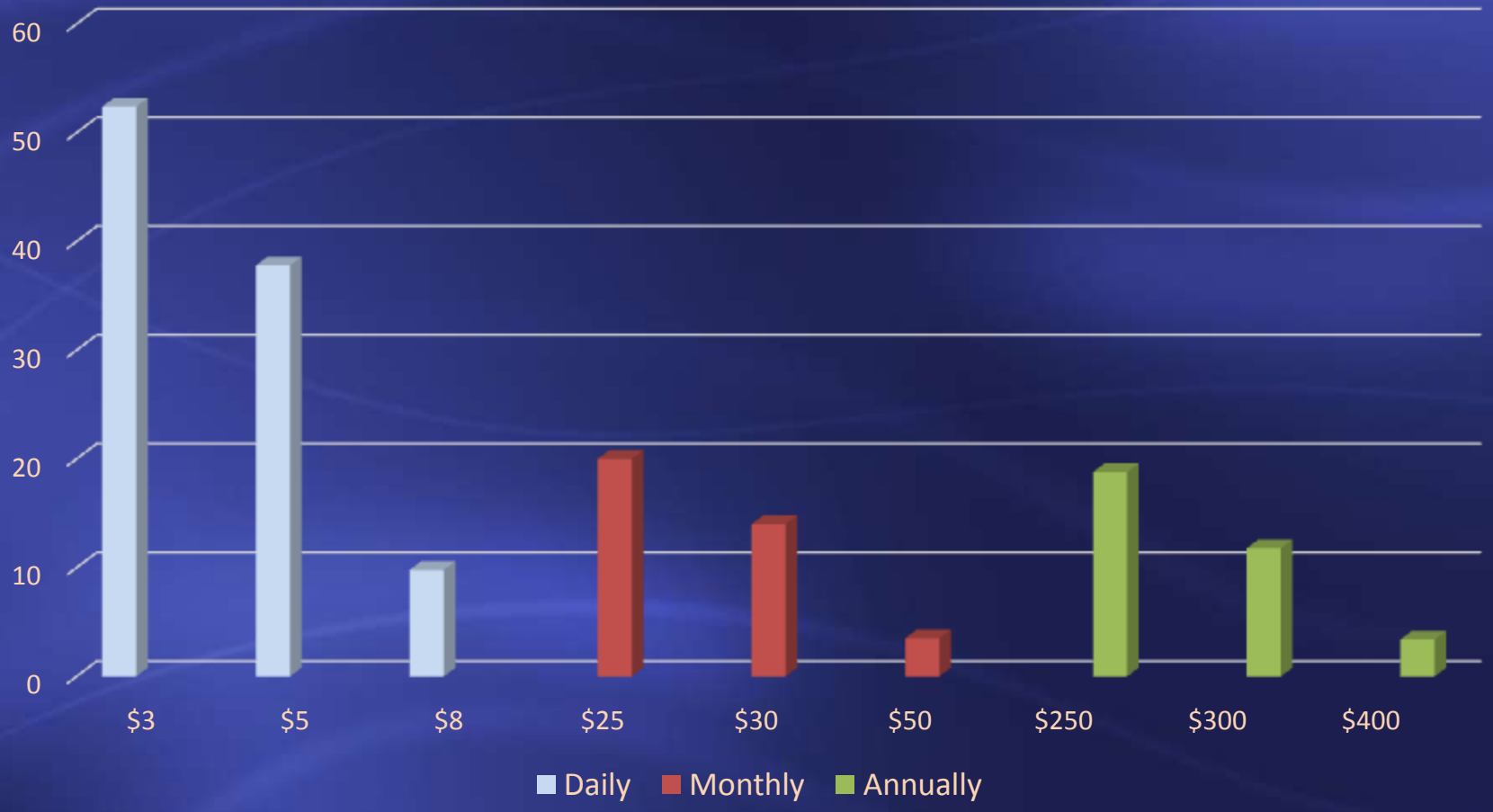
What Else Should Queens Build?



What Priority Does Pool Have?

- 80% think pool should be built before other things

How Much Would You Pay?



Summary of Survey

- Large representative sample
- Two thirds think pool is important
- Over three quarters want to see pool over other new indoor facility
- They don't want to pay for it!

- A full report of questionnaire results is available

Next Steps

- Scan of pools across Canada re cost of construction and operation, focus on smaller communities
- Develop budget and business plan
- Put out Request for Proposals
- Seek funding from governments. Nb will most likely go with solid structure in order to be competitive for Federal funding
- Seek private/corporate funding
- (not necessarily in this order; some may be simultaneous)

Funding Possibilities

- Federal Government
  - Social Infrastructure Program, up to 50% of construction cost; tba soon
- Federal Government
  - Health, Infrastructure, Sport; current
- Provincial Government
  - Sport, recreation, youth, health
- Region of Queens
  - Retirement of past debt
- Private/Corporate Sector
- Public Campaign

Our Ask of Council

- That they approve moving forward with pool
- That a committee be appointed that would include:
  - Member(s) of Council
  - CAO
  - Members of QCAS
  - Support Staff from Region

Pool Committee Terms of Reference

- Committee would report to Council on monthly basis, to ensure that everyone is moving on the same path
- Appropriate Consultation be sought
- A final business plan be submitted no later than July 2017
- With final approval with selected plans, funding will be sought

QCAS Thanks You

- Celeste Johnston, Pres
- Deborah Spartinelli, V Pres
- Susan Higgins, Secty
- Bill Smyth, Treasurer
- Dee Kozlowski, Funding Chair
- Ian Clark
- Al Doucet
- Dave Oickle
- Kevin Page
- Bill Raine
- Kris Snarby