

FISP Committee

Meeting Date and Time: January 11, 2017 at 7:00pm

Members Present: John Hadley, Chair, Jay Duggan, Ray Bricault, Chris Rucho, Robert Chisholm, Phil Mallet

Members Not Present: Marcia Cairns, Pat Crowley, Siobhan Bohanson, and Barur Rajeshkumar

Also Present: Sr. Center Architect John Catlin

Mr. Hadley called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

1. VHB Invoice and Related Budget Transfer: John Hadley presented the need to transfer a sum of money from the Owners Contingency line to place in the Permitting line to pay for the VHB site plan review costs. These costs are in excess of what was anticipated when the project was budgeted. After discussion of the members present, it was agreed to table this discussion to the next meeting when more information could be provided.
2. Senior Center: Architect John Catlin provided a PowerPoint presentation of the proposed two story senior center facility. He explained the design is still in its basic schematic phase and many details are yet to be added. He indicated the proposed layout of the building on the lot; which is in the same approximate area of the original Mixer building. He indicated the flow of the site would still permit active use of the fields for recreational use. The two story design uses a large stairway and an elevator. The large multipurpose room includes a moveable partition wall that would allow the space to be separated into two usable areas to increase options for concurrent programs to be held. All heating and cooling units would be located in the attic.

It was discussed that the COA was still leaning toward a one story design. Ray Bricault asked Bob Chisholm what were their concerns about a two story design. Bob stated the elevator appeared to be a main concern, and that people were worried that if the elevator were out of commission, it would prevent the safe use of the second floor of the building. Committee members discussed and agreed that this would be a rare occurrence and would be resolved quickly if it occurred. John Catlin reaffirmed that a two story design would use significantly less energy than a one story design, and with the smaller footprint on the lot would allow room on the site for future expansion of the building if ever needed in the future. It was agreed that the committee had to be sure the COA was accepting of the two story design and agreed to hold a special meeting to present the design options and related costs to the COA and Friends of the COA at a meeting on Saturday, Jan 21st at 10am. John Catlin agreed to attend to assist in the presentation and discussion. All resident would be welcome.

3. Dates for a Special Town Meeting: It was agreed to ask Town Administrator Anita Scheipers to prepare a set of dates for the special town meeting and election, including the dates required for each action step required leading up to these events.
4. Next Meeting: The committee will meet on Saturday, January 18th at 10am for a special meeting with the seniors, and the next regular meeting will be held on Feb 8, 2016.
5. Barur Rajeshkumar moved and Chris Rucho seconded to adjourn the meeting.
Vote: All yes. Motion approved. Meeting adjourned at 8:15pm.

Respectfully Submitted: Anita Scheipers

Date Approved: February 8, 2017