October 18th, 2018

Members of the Facilities Review Committee met this day in regular session at City Hall in the Community Room, Brownsville, Oregon at 7:00 p.m.

Present: Debbie Wyne, Lynda Chambers, Katie Cheney, Carla Gerber, Elizabeth Coleman & Scott

McDowell.

Absent: Blaine Cheney (Excused), Rick Dominguez, Brandie Simon & Karl Frink.

Public: No one was present.

Presiding: Carla Gerber.

Mrs. Gerber reconvened the meeting at 7:08 p.m. McDowell indicated that Mr. Blaine Cheney was under the weather. Mrs. Wyne & Mrs. Coleman had brought a treat for the members. McDowell gave a recap from the last meeting. Mrs. Gerber asked about the purpose for the meeting which was to render a decision to Council. McDowell said that November Council meeting would probably be a better target. McDowell indicated that he would be setting up a joint meeting between City Council & the Park & Open Space Advisory Board for November if the Committee is ready by then. McDowell said that a recommendation should probably include, 1) building options (structural engineering), 2) facility priority options, and 3) possible funding strategies.

Discussion ensued around possible locations for the Pavilion. The locations included, 1) the current location, 2) further east closer to the stage, and 3) by the "new" restroom. The Committee discussed architectural features of what the building could be. Many exciting features were discussed including an enclosed kitchen, Dance Hall, and amphitheater. Discussion ensued around similar issues for the Rec Center. The kitchen was discussed again at length as was the overall used for both facilities.

A majority of the meeting was spent on discussing a regional approach to addressing regional concerns. Members talked about the Central Linn School Districts building needs and capital campaigns and how some of the City's facility plans could be discussed with a larger group. The Pioneer Christian Academy should also be in the discussion along with the City of Halsey. Members discussed the logistics of having certain amenities in various locations throughout the greater Central Linn area. Several scenarios were reviewed.

The culmination of the conversation led to some consensus that a regional approach should be recommended to the City Council. Including members from the aforementioned groups would give the City a better handle on how to make these capital improvements work for a broader audience that it currently serves. It would also answer questions that will be posed by taxpayers. Members thought that some of the proposed facilities could be handled by Brownsville while others could fall under a larger master plan. Many facilities in the Central Linn area are toward the end of their useful life. All options should be explored to better the community while protecting the interests of local taxpayers.

Members asked McDowell to send out a Doodle scheduler for the next meeting. The meeting recessed at 8:23 p.m.

ATTEST:



Facilities Review Committee

S. Scott McDowell City Administrator

Blaine Cheney/Carla Gerber Chair