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AGENDA ITEM # 4

**TO:** Hillview Community Center Project Task Force

**FROM:** Claudia Coleman, Chair Hillview Community Center Project Task Force

**SUBJECT:** Task Force Discussion – Insights, Themes and Considerations

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## **BACKGROUND**

To address the Task Force (TF) mission as stated in Resolution No. 2017-15, the TF has now convened thirteen (13) public meetings including a 2-hour study session with City Council. The initial meetings included review of past studies and reports on the building of a new community center and the focus of the TF on broader concepts that resulted in the Community Center Task Force Project Goals/Objectives/Principles (Attachment A). More recent meetings engaged the Noll & Tam design team (N&T) and provided space allocation discussions, site placement and now the architectural design process to conceptualize the building character with the goal of capturing the essence of the Los Altos community.

Each TF member brings a unique perspective and insight to the process. As the TF enters its concluding meetings, this would be a good time to reflect as a TF team, share ideas with each other and determine the major themes we want to capture that will continue through the next 2 years of development and construction of the new Community Center.

As a starting point for the discussion, the Community Center Task Force reviewed the Guiding Principles it presented to Council at the September 26, 2017 study session. These principles were updated to include statements about:

1. What are the emerging themes for the new Community Center that were developed during TF discussions?
2. What is the essence of the Los Altos community and how can that be translated to the building character of the new Community Center?
3. What are the considerations for the new Community Center that the TF wants Council and Commissions and others to know and consider during the 2-year development and construction cycle?

## **DISCUSSION**

The goal of this discussion is to continue the dialogue and refine our unified view. Each TF member can further address these questions as we seek a unified perspective. Staff will continue to record comments to identify themes and consensus views.

I look forward to your continued participation in this collaborative discussion.

Leveraging from the notes captured by staff during the 11/7 group discussion on Insights, Themes and Considerations, please come prepared to add to the document as well as enhance what has already been captured. Sarah Henricks has created a wonderful narrative,

(Attachment B), based on the 11/7 discussion that sets the stage for the Task Force to get into the spirit for further expansion of the Task Force attachment to the Staff Report to Council. This is not a document that is based on consensus ideas, but a vehicle that augments the Staff Report from the perspective of Task Force members. Also included for your review is the same discussion information summarized in a List, (Attachment B). Both are offered to you for your discussion i.e. which best fits the Task Force's message to City Council on this topic?

I look forward to your review of the materials and added discussions.

Attachments:

- A. Community Center Task Force Project Goals/Objectives/Principles
- B. Task Force Insights, Themes, and Considerations DRAFT -Narrative and List