

City of Los Altos Community Center Conceptual Design & Civic Center Master Plan Update

Joint Commission Meeting Thursday, May 8, 2014

Agenda



- Introduction & Background Info
- Key Words & Phrases
- Group Activity
- Public Comment
- Conclusion

Roadmap to Updated Community Center Concept & Civic Center Master Plan

Process Validation

1/14/14 City Council Study Session



- 2/4/14: City Council Meeting & Study Session
- 2/26/14: Joint Commission Meeting: User focus
- 3/15/14 & 3/20/14: User Focus Groups
- 4/1/14: Community Workshop #1
- 4/16/14: Joint Commission Meeting: Planning focus
- 4/23/14: Stakeholder Meeting: Planning focus
- 5/8/14: Joint Commission Meeting: Mission focus
- 6/10/14: City Council Mg: Review & approve recommendations

Objective: Fact gathering process to engage community and gather input that will guide recommendations to City Council.

Date TBD: Community Workshop #2: Planning focus

Scenario

Updates

Date TBD: Stakeholder Mtg: Financial focus

9/9/14: City Council Mtg: Approve financial strategy Community Center Concept & MP

- Date TBD: Community Workshop #3: Planning focus
- 11/25/14: City Council Meeting: Approve:
- Civic Ctr MP
- Comm. Ctr conceptual design
- Cost model

Previous Vision Statements

2008 City Council Approved Vision Statement for City Public Facilities



The City Council vision for our public facilities is to rebuild the Los Altos Civic Center, the Garden House, Redwood Grove and the building at Grant Park to provide adequate space and useful modern facilities to serve the Los Altos public for the next 50 years.

2009 City Council Approved Vision Statement for the Community (Civic) Center



SERVICE

Services will be safe, convenient and comprehensive.

ENVIRONMENT

Environments will support play, learning and gathering and will be configured to connect with the downtown village. Modern facilities that are both adequate and useful to the community, with striking architecture that is low in profile, will be located in a beautiful park-like setting.

EXPERIENCE

The Los Altos Community (Civic) Center will provide a community experience that will serve your public for the next 50 years.

Commission Mission & Purpose Statements February 26, 2014

Senior Commission: Mission & Purpose Statements



Mission Statement

To provide facilities for LA and LAH residents to engage in recreational, social, educational, cultural, community service, civic and government activities. Center should provide opportunities for persons of all ages to participate in a wide range of programs that educate and stimulate the public, enhance selfconfidence, and promote physical health!

Core Purpose

To provide a senior center which we can be proud of and want to attend.

Parks & Recreation Commission: Mission & Purpose Statements



Mission Statement

- Focal point for community oriented life
- Should serve inter and multi-generational needs
- Provide education, recreation and health/wellness enrichment
- Facility should foster sense of community

Core Purpose

 Modern and adequate, high quality facility to provide a full spectrum of recreational programs

Public Arts Commission: Mission & Purpose Statements



Mission Statement

- Space and facilities for all age interaction
- Space and facilities for age specific activities
- Both special interest classes and socialization

Core Purpose

With a state of the art community center we can create a place for all ages and cultures in Los Altos and neighboring communities, where we can make, display, explore and share art inside and outside the classroom. We can bring beauty back to the soul in our hectic, stressful, demanding lives, and enjoy the power of creativity.

Youth Commission: Mission Statements



Mission Statement (for Teen Community)

- Connecting the youth to the city & the city to youth
- Not the "place to be" but a "place to grow"

Mission Statement (for everyone)

- Open and welcoming area
- All age interaction and respective activities

Mission for Us

- Spaces/facilities
- More accessible
- Connection youth to city
- Focus on special interest vs socialization

Group Activity



- Identify key words and phrases from previous work
- Combine statements into one recommended statement for Council

Commission Mission Statements



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Next Steps



City Council Meeting – June 10, 2014

- Anderson Brule Architects will present recommendations to Council
- Council will approve Program, Site Criteria and Budget Framework