

WORKSHOP MEETING MINUTES  
SISTERS CITY COUNCIL  
520 E. CASCADE AVENUE  
JANUARY 22, 2015

**MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Chris Frye Mayor  
\*McKibben Womack Council President  
\*Wendy Holzman Councilor  
David Asson Councilor  
Nancy Connolly Councilor

**STAFF PRESENT:**

Andrew Gorayeb City Manager  
Paul Bertagna PW Director  
Kathy Nelson City Recorder

**ABSENT:**

Pauline Hardie CD Director  
Lynne Fujita-Conrads Finance Office

**COMMUNITY ASSETS COMMITTEE:**

Bill Hall Chair  
Bill Willitts Committee Member  
Liam Hughes Committee Member  
Ann Richardson Committee Member  
\*Community Assets Committee Members

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Frye at 6:00 p.m.

1. Community Assets Committee Update

**Community Assets Committee Chair Bill Hall** provided an over view of what the committee had completed to date. He explained the committee was formed in follow-up to the February 2014 town hall meeting where potential projects that would provide a community asset were discussed. The projects identified from that meeting were:

- Arts/Science/History Building
- Expo Center
- Sisters Park and Recreation District Field House
- Winter Sports Park

**Mr. Hall** stated the committee was working to not only vet the projects for feasibility but would also determine estimated costs, perform public outreach and provide the Council with a recommended efficient procedure for addressing future ideas.

**Mr. Hall** discussed the scope of the committee's work, provided a description of the four projects, and described the method used for processing each idea and the factors by which each project would be analyzed. He reported that once project review was completed, public outreach would be executed including a survey, presentations at area service organizations and a public meeting, scheduled for April 26<sup>th</sup>. He stated the hope was to draw from a broad spectrum of interested citizens. Once public outreach was completed, the committee planned to provide the Council their findings.

**Mr. Hill** reported the committee would require some financial assistance for the public outreach portion of their work. The **Council** requested the committee provide an itemized request for consideration and **Mr. Hill** replied that would be done. **Mayor Frye** suggested using the

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Community Action Team of Sisters (CATS) funds the City was given when CATS disbanded that have strict criteria for how they can be used.

The **Council** asked questions and received information on the following:

- Bonding could be a possibility to fund any of the projects.
- Committee members met with staff from other neighboring Parks and Recreation Districts to collect information.
- Part of the public meeting will be to collect other ideas or twists on the four projects under consideration.
- Location for any of the projects will be an important consideration.
- One of the goals was to find a community asset that could help bring tourist dollars to the area during the shoulder season.

**Mayor Frye** thanked the committee members for their continuing efforts.

2. Other Business

The goal setting session date has changed to January 29<sup>th</sup> beginning at 8:00 a.m. **Mayor Frye** requested councilors send their goals to City Recorder Nelson in advance so they could be included in the meeting packet. He stated that would allow other Council members to review them prior to discussion. He stated the Council would also be looking at its over-arching goals.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:42 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

  
Kathy Nelson, City Recorder

  
Chris Frye, Mayor