

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Minutes of the
Citizen's City Center Committee
City of Cherry Hills Village, Colorado
Held on Thursday, April 4, 2007 at 4:00 p.m.
at the Village Center

The meeting was called to order at 4:04 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Committee member David Cooper and William Lorton Cook were present on silent roll call. Also present was Interim City Manager Eric Ensey, Fred and Alice Abrams and Chief Richard McGowan from South Metro Fire Rescue.

Committee member Richard Diecidue arrived at 4:07 p.m.

Councilmember Scott Roswell arrived at 4:08 p.m.

Councilmember Russell Stewart arrived at 4:09 p.m.

Committee member Alex Brown arrived at 4:42 p.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mr. David Cooper moved to approve the minutes from the February 15, 2007 meeting and Mr. William Cook seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

REVIEW CHARGE OF THE CCCC COMMITTEE

Mr. Cooper suggested the committee members review the goals for the committee and review what has been accomplished by the members to date. He stated the Mayor has inquired when the committee members will be able to provide a status report to Council. Mr. Cooper reviewed the different subject matters the committee has already researched. He suggested the committee invite Morey Wolfson, from David Owen Tryba Architects, to their next meeting. He stated the committee is close to completing everything that was charged for the committee to do.

It was decided the committee members would provide a status report to City Council at the May 1, 2007 meeting.

Mr. Richard Diecidue inquired about the status of the recommendation on the Public Works department. He stated putting part of the Public Works department off-site would provide greater flexibility for the new Village Center.

A discussion ensued concerning options for the cul-de-sac on Meade Lane.

Councilmember Scott Roswell reiterated the committee members need to bring forward a status report on what has been done to this point to Council.

Mr. Diecidue suggested having some form of a Public Works department on site at the Village Center; with most of the heavy equipment stored at an off-site location.

DISCUSSION**Abrams Letter**

Dr. Fred Abrams, 105 Meade Lane, spoke about the letter he and his wife, Alice Abrams, submitted to the Committee for their review. He believes the Committee should look at using 125 Meade Lane as the site to build the new Village Center

because it is almost completely out of the floodplain. He stated if the Village Center was constructed on 125 Meade Lane, there wouldn't be a need for temporary housing for staff because the Village Center could remain on the current site and staff could move to the new building when construction was complete. He discussed his concerns regarding the land trade with the Fire District and the reconfiguration of Meade Lane.

Mrs. Abrams reiterated the money that would be saved on temporary housing if the new Village Center was built on 125 Meade Lane.

Mr. Cook described the orientation on the drawing that he prepared for the Committee member's.

The Committee members discussed the floodplain and formed a general agreement on constructing the new Village Center at 125 Meade Lane.

Mr. Cooper suggested possibly leasing the land on the first floor for commercial business and the taxes could pay for it overtime. He stated the employees would be located on the second floor.

Mr. Diecidue expressed his concerns with leasing commercial business on the site.

Councilmember Roswell stated this is a subject that has been brought up before. He doesn't believe it makes the most sense given the location of the Village Center on Quincy Avenue.

Councilmember Russell Stewart believes the idea of retail business is worth looking into.

The brief discussion ensued regarding commercial business located with the Village Center.

Mr. Diecidue stated his belief is residents are in support of building a new Village Center, but it needs to be kept simple.

Chief Richard McGowan updated the Committee members on the plan for the new fire department building.

Mr. Cooper mentioned possibly selling 90 Meade Lane.

The Committee members discussed selling 90 Meade Lane and the general consensus was against selling the property.

Mrs. Abrams suggested having a green efficient building could be a selling point to the community for a new Village Center.

Mr. Diecidue asked how much square footage would be allocated for the Public Works department and the Committee members held discussion about the different possibilities for the Public Works department.

Discuss final report format and methodology for organizing

Mr. Cooper asked for ideas on how to present their final report to City Council.

It was suggested they should present some visual aids; including a map and a bullet point outline of the talking points.

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Mrs. Abrams recommended they send out a public notice to all the residents when the Committee presents their final report to City Council.

Mr. Alex Brown asked if the Committee would present multiple options to City Council or if they should recommend only one plan.

Mr. Diecidue thought they should present one option.

Mr. Brown suggested if they present multiple options it would show the residents the Committee considered all viable solutions.

Councilmember Roswell stated he does not believe it is necessary to present alternatives to City Council because the minutes of the Committee meetings will show the Committee considered different options.

Mr. Cook asked if they should have a public meeting before they present their final report to City Council so the Committee could get their opinions also.

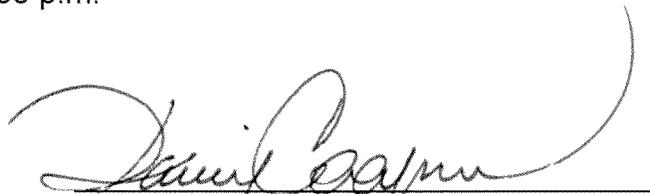
Mr. Cooper volunteered to put the bullet point outline together to present to City Council.

Next Meeting

It was decided the next meeting will be held on May 16th at 4:00 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 5:33 p.m.



David Copper, Co-Chair



Richard Diecidue, Co-Chair



Eric J. Ensey, Interim City Manager