

TO: Mayor and City Council
FROM: David Chanski, City Administrator/Clerk
RE: City Hall Remodel & Expansion
DATE: April 1, 2024



Background

The City Council considered 3 options for either building a new city hall or remodeling & expanding the current city hall on March 4. While considering these options, the City Council was not able to come to consensus regarding which option to proceed with. Much of the disagreement was centered around how to address the development of a community center. As such, the issue was tabled until compromise could be had and a councilmember(s) requested the topic be placed back on the agenda.

Follow-up Discussion

On March 12, Mayor Zierden and Councilmember Moroni met with City Administrator Chanski to further discuss a city hall and a potential community center. Their discussion centered around proceeding with the development of construction documents and bidding of a remodel & expansion of City Hall as well as conducting due diligence on a potential community center. This discussion concluded with an agreement between Mayor Zierden and Councilmember Moroni to present the following actions before the City Council at the April 1 City Council meeting.

- Action 1: Direct staff to conduct the requisite due diligence on the development of a potential community center. Such due diligence shall not require the expenditure of funds but shall include:
 - a) Engaging with neighboring communities to assess the interest in participating in a potential community center project.
 - b) Investigating the feasibility of the former Landis + Gyr building located at 6436 County Road 11 as a potential site for a community center.
 - c) Developing cost estimates for the operation of a City operated community center adjacent to City Hall.
 - d) Researching potential outside funding opportunities and partnerships to support the construction and operation of a community center.

- Action 2: Approve an agreement with Widseth to develop construction documents for the previously presented remodel & expansion of City Hall (Option 3), excluding a gymnasium, and authorize Widseth to issue documents to Hy-Tec Construction for bidding upon completion.

Council Action

Mayor Zierden and Councilmember Moroni are requesting that the City Council consider, first, directing staff to conduct the requisite due diligence on the development of a potential community center as outlined above, and, second, approve the attached agreement with Widseth to develop construction documents for the previously presented remodel & expansion of City Hall, excluding a gymnasium, and authorize Widseth to issue documents to Hy-Tec Construction for bidding upon completion.