

Civic Assembly Recommendations

**Addressing Council Priority
to develop a Hughes Site
Master Plan**



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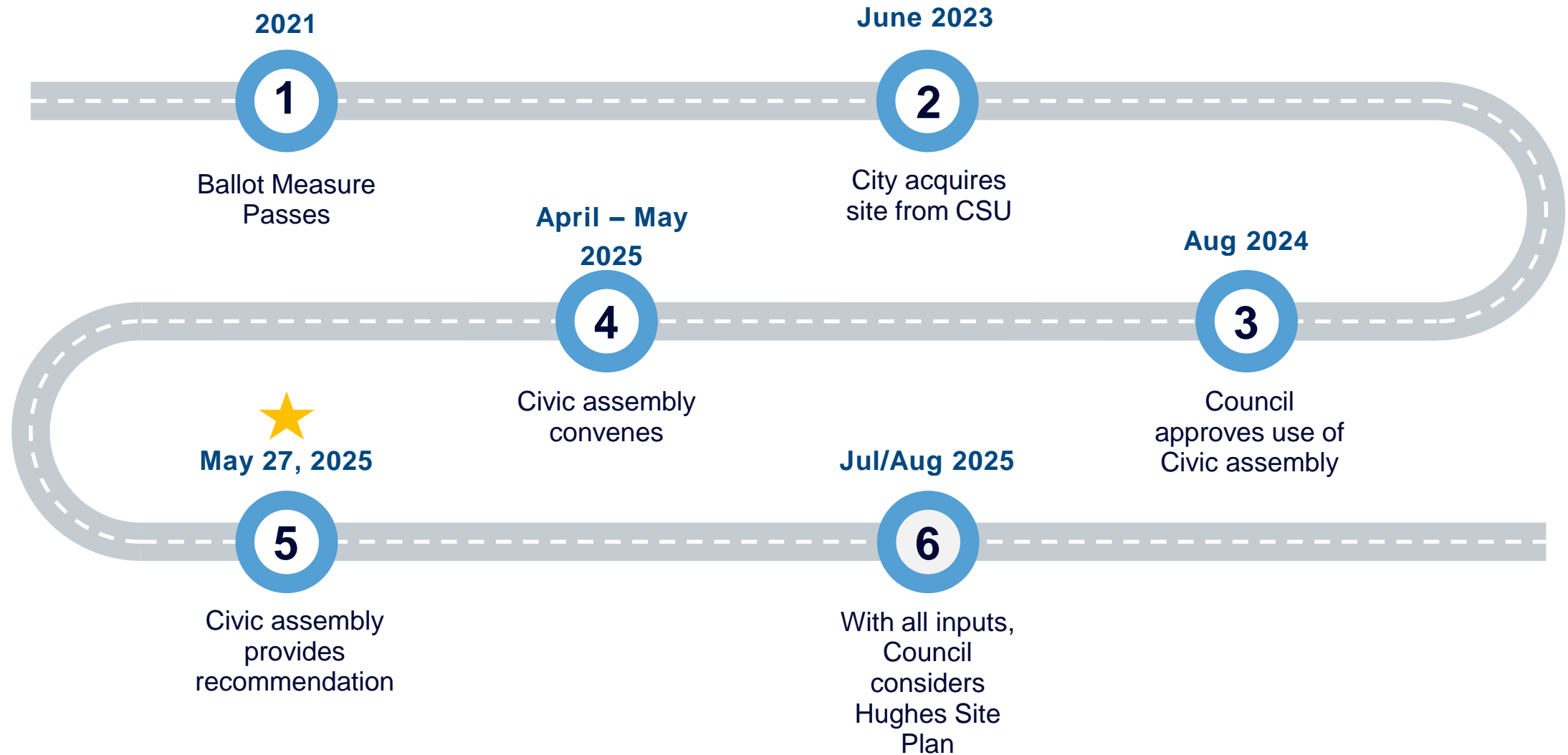
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“Informed by the diverse needs of our community, what use of the Hughes site will contribute most effectively to Fort Collins’ long-term vitality and meet the requirements outlined in the 2021 ballot measure?”

Two Weekend Process



Microcosm of Fort Collins community: Assembly Demographics



- 15,000 randomly selected households received invitations.
- Assembly mirrors city's demographics based on 2023 census.
- Some protected classes excluded from selection criteria (legal)

Council District	% of FC pop.	% of all responses	% of CA (# of ppl)
1	16.7	19.4	15 (3)
2	16.7	13.3	15 (3)
3	16.7	10.3	5 (1)
4	16.7	20.9	15 (3)
5	16.7	18.6	25 (5)
6	16.7	17.5	25 (5)

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Age Range	% of FC pop.	% of all responses	% of Civic Assembly (# of ppl)
16-24	28.2	6.1	25 (5)
25-34	20.8	19.8	20 (4)
35-44	14.8	21.7	20 (4)
45-54	11	18.6	15 (3)
55-64	11	14.8	5 (1)
65-74	8.6	11.8	5 (1)
74+	5.7	7.2	10 (2)

Housing Status	% of FC pop.	% of all responses	% of CA (# of ppl)
Own	57.7	65.4	55 (11)
Rent	42.7	33.8	40 (8)
Unhoused	0.2	0.8	1 (5)

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Educational Attainment	% of FC pop	% of all responses	% of CA (# of ppl)
Some schooling; no diploma	5.2	2.3	10 (2)
High school diploma or equivalent	15.7	2.7	10 (2)
Some college or Associate's degree	31.9	14.1	25 (5)
Bachelor's degree or higher	47.2	81.0	55 (11)

Household Income (per yr)	% of FC pop	% of all responses	% of CA (# of ppl)
<\$25k	9.5	7.2	15 (3)
\$25k-\$49,999	12.8	12.5	10 (2)
\$50k-\$99,999	25.8	26.2	25 (5)
\$100k-\$199,999	32.9	39.9	35 (7)
>\$200k	19.0	14.1	15 (3)



- Diversity of opinions, experience
- Ability to disagree and deliberate respectfully
- Genuine curiosity and learning from panels, presentations, and one another
- Appreciation for recommending and not deciding
- Understood weight of considering Fort Collins residents as a whole, not individual desires

Super Majority Outcomes Included:

- Property should be utilized for multiple uses
- Indigenous consultation, support, and opportunities should be included
- Natural habitats should be restored throughout use development as possible
- Outdoor education and interpretation should be included
- Community gathering space(s)
- Minimize light pollution
- Include trail connections to Maxwell and Pineridge





- Meets 2021 ballot language
- Site is so large, single-use would not benefit the community as a whole
- Site will need help to re-habilitate; multi-use spreads cost and responsibility
- Serves the greatest number of people
- Win/Win for community and Natural Areas/connections
- Numerous groups willing to collaborate for an integrated property (indigenous, education, natural rehabilitation, bike use, disc golf, sledding)

Key Reflections

- Democratic process
- Everyone came with good intentions and faith in the process
- Hard to hear some of the community chatter making assumptions about assembly members & process
- Honored and humbled to be part of process
- Learned so much



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