



YMCA Board of Directors Marshall, MN 56258

February 16, 2022

Mayor Bob Byrnes and City Councilmembers City of Marshall 344 West Main Street Marshall, MN 56258

Dear Mayor Byrnes and City Councilmembers:

The Marshall Area YMCA has endured great financial stress as a result of COVID-19 and changes in personal fitness arrangements for many members. This has resulted in the loss of 700 membership units since March of 2020. As a result, the future financial viability of the Marshall Area YMCA is at risk. Although we have presented previously to Council that the viability may be in future years, our latest financial review leads us to believe that our current financial situation is more imminent.

Thus, the Marshall Area YMCA Board of Directors hereby requests that the City consider a financial feasibility study of the future of YMCA in partnership with the City of Marshall. This financial feasibility study would examine potential partnerships between the City of Marshall and the Marshall Area YMCA in the area of facilities, recreation and long-term financial stability.

In addition, a presentation to the YMCA Board of Directors regarding the aquatic center also included information on pursuing an indoor recreation facility. The Marshall Area YMCA is interested in pursuing jointly with you a feasibility study on this recreation study on best we can meet the needs of the community.

In order to facilitate the above, we can discuss further the participation financially by the Marshall Area YMCA in both studies.

Please consider this letter a formal request and we would be happy to meet with you to discuss this letter further.

Sincerely,

Marshall Area YMCA Board of Directors