

**CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION
APRIL 18, 2016
KENAI CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS
MAYOR PAT PORTER, PRESIDING**

NOTES

Council present: P. Porter, T. Navarre, H. Knackstedt, B. Gabriel, M. Boyle
Others present: City Manager R. Koch, Finance Director T. Eubank and City Clerk S. Modigh

Multipurpose Facility Expansion

Mayor Porter began the work session at approximately 5:30 p.m. and City Manager Koch provided an overview of the work session topics.

Koch advised that the Multipurpose Facility Expansion would include a shared area with restrooms, locker rooms, a pro shop and catering kitchen area. This new shared area would be attached to the existing hockey rink and a new turf field building would be built. Chris Parker from K&A Design Studios provided a more detailed review of the proposed expansion noting that the most cost effective way to proceed would be in phases. It was noted that at this conceptual phase, a discussion of what the turf field would be used for would be beneficial in determining what type of material would be used.

City Manager Koch advised that a cost estimate was being worked on and the project's estimated around \$6 million. Koch provided an outline with potential funding options proposing this project be phased and put to a vote of the community for a general obligation bond in the amount of \$6 million for 20 years at 2.976 %. Finance Director Terry Eubank reviewed the additional options to fund the project including property taxes and a mil rate increase, annual sales tax increase, seasonal sales tax increases during specific calendar quarters. A combination of property and sales tax were discussed as a possibility.

A running track located in the turf building was discussed and it was noted that would be discussed at a later date. Location for adequate storage location was discussed to house equipment as well as tables and chairs for functions other than sports.

Senior Center Financial Performance

City Manager Koch and Finance Director Eubank provided a summary of the past, present and future financial performance of the Senior Center noting that the general fund would now be needed to maintain the Senior Center's operation and program. Eubank reviewed that facility's decreasing fund balance from FY201 to current noting that there has been a substantial decrease in revenues due to individuals no longer qualifying for the Choice Waiver Program. Eubank estimated a need to provide funding to the Senior Center for FY2016 in the amount of \$88,000 and \$166,000 for FY17.

City Manager Koch provided a spreadsheet outlining the financial analysis of NTS and Choice Waiver Meal Programs for FY2014 through FY2016. It was noted that the NTS congregate meals are a suggested donation

Mayor Porter advised that during her research she found that other municipalities do not have City employees maintain its Senior Center, but use a third part. Administration and Council agreed that a review of how business is conducted at the Senior Center may need to be addressed and that the reason for this work session topic was to eliminate from having this discussion outside of the budget work session.

This topic was brought before Council to bring awareness on the matter and Administration stated that they'd review this further and would like additional work sessions with Council at a later date.

The Mayor thanked all that attended and Administration for their work on this matter.

The work session was adjourned at 7:00 p.m.

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