



## SENIOR CENTER WORKSHOP MINUTES

September 19, 2018

**Directors:** J. Worley  
V. Starkey  
A. Dreher  
R. Anderson  
M. Dickerson  
C. Schierholz  
N. Smith

**Absent\*\***

**Staff:** T. Nolan, C. Ward, C. Peters, D. Parks, K. Standen, N. Adamson, C. Mitchell

Others:

Chris Kastelic, Perkins + Will

Janet Gibley, Lynn DeRoo, Linda Cummiskey, Michelle DeTurco, and Sue Frommelt, residents of Highlands Ranch

- **Active Adult Center Further Design Study**  
Chris Kastelic gave a presentation that outlined the next steps in the design study for the Active Adult Center: consensus program, site selection, building planning, and budget. (*Addendum 1*)
- **Architect solicited the Board's ideas for the Active Adult Center**  
Input from the Board included:
  - Use of space
  - Program needs
  - Amenities, programs they did not want to see in the Center
  - Revenue generating opportunities
  - Preferred functions of the space
  - Parking and ease of access
  - Esthetics of the building

*See attachment for more details.*

Nancy Smith provided a list of ideas for program spaces, furnishings and equipment, and other suggestions for a stand-alone facility for the board to consider. (*Addendum 2*)

- **Next steps**
  - Discuss programs and required space with potential partners
  - Site Selection: Review of potential properties for best location
  - Building planning: Chris will work closely with Carrie Ward and the planning team to design a building that meets the criteria expressed by the Board
  - Align the design with the budget

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**HIGHLAND RANCH ACTIVE AGING ADULT CENTER DESIGN**

Metro District Board of Directors Comments from September 19<sup>th</sup> presentation

October 9, 2018

Notes Prepared by Chris Kastelic - Perkins + Will

**What don't you want to see in the proposed Center?**

- No duplicate of the Highlands Ranch recreation centers
- No gymnasium is needed, but some level of activity space may be necessary
- The Silver Sneakers program is a priority, research the requirements.
- No pool or aquatic spaces are necessary including steamroom and sauna
- Do not believe we need indoor pickleball, but may be a possibility outdoors in an adjacent location if the site allows
- No commercial kitchen is necessary, just a functional catering kitchen. It could have flexible design to allow for instruction.
- No dedicated library space is needed

**What is important to consider in the proposed Center?**

- Socialization opportunities and programs are the top priority
- Make sure to plan for future space/additions. Master plan the facility needs
- There should be welcoming informal space
- Consider the climate control, temperature awareness in areas such as the entry.
- Make sure there is proper restroom design. Inclusive change areas. Assistance areas
- Make sure the building is designed for ADA and thoughtful universal accessible design
- The front door should have an automatic entry with convenient operation
- The design should consider distances to program spaces and ease of access
- There should be a covered drop-off, and possibly an ice melt system
- Plenty of appropriate storage that can be locked
- Consider revenue opportunities such as rentals, enrichment classes, and meeting space

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- Tech connections, good Wi-Fi and other technology considerations.
- Consider concierge health services, possibly by a partner
- The parking design is very important; make sure there are ample ADA stalls that are close and easily accessible to the entry.
- Acoustics very important
- Outdoor gathering/event space: picnic tables, BBQ, shade
- Plenty of room between furnishings for walkers, wheelchairs etc.
- Family restrooms

**How should the building look and feel?**

- Stone
- Natural Materials
- Plenty of natural light
- Indoor/Outdoor design with doors to the outside
- Solar technology
- Charging stations for electric cars
- Floor finishes that easily accommodate walkers, wheelchairs etc.
- Universal design