



City of La Crosse, Wisconsin

City Hall
400 La Crosse Street
La Crosse, WI 54601

Meeting Minutes

Senior Center Sub-Committee

Wednesday, February 28, 2018

10:00 AM La Crosse Public Library South Branch, 1307 16th Street
South

Call to Order

Committee took a tour of the South Branch Library.

Roll Call

Approval of Minutes

Agenda Items:

Committee Preferred Alternatives from January 10, 2018

Attachments: [Citizen Notecards from January 10, 2018.pdf](#)
[Committee Notecards from January 10, 2018.pdf](#)
[Preferred Alternatives Executive Summary from January 10 2018.pdf](#)

Committee examined the alternatives from the meeting. The majority preferred the option of one mixed-used building.

Senior Center Survey Results

Attachments: [Survey Summary](#)
[Senior Center Survey Results FULL.pdf](#)
[Survey Question 9 Results.pdf](#)
[Survey Question 10 Results.pdf](#)
[Survey Question 13 Results.pdf](#)

The survey results were presented and were summarized. Kelly Krieg-Sigman the Library Director stated that there were good intersections between libraries and senior centers. Phil Ostrem noted that he did not think a mixed-use development at Harry J Olson was feasible. Jim Wiffler said that Southside Senior Center cant staff the building as it is and we need a plan where one building could easily be managed with an endowment to help. Doug Happen said that it makes sense to consider a space like the lirbary, where we are already paying staff to run the facility. Marilyn from the Harry J Olson Center thought that people were confused when they answered the question "how much would you pay per month". Council Member Andrea Richmond said there needs to be longer hours that the Senior Center is operating for people to use them.

Board of Public Works Recommendation

A motion was made by Janssen, seconded by Ostrem, that the staff create a resolution for Council and the Board of Public Works for the following: Recommend to the board of Public Works and Common Council to explore the feasibility and cost for two locations for Senior Centers: one on the southside would be a combined facility with the South Branch Lirbary and on the Northside alternatives be examined included the Harry J. Olson site, private developers, or other combined uses. That up to \$20,000 be allocated for this research for staff time or a consultant and Planning Staff be designated to lead this research.

Adjournment

Notice is further given that members of other governmental bodies may be present at the above scheduled meeting to gather information about a subject over which they have decision-making responsibility.

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