

RECREATION CENTER OF SUN CITY, INC.
Long Range Planning Committee
March 6, 2023

Chair John Fast called the meeting to order at 8:30am in the Lakeview Center Board Room.

Present: Chair John Fast, Co-Chair Kat Fimmel and Committee Members Steve Oaks, Candy Ruggiero, Bill Day, Karen Scheuerman, Dennis Stokely, Norm Dickson, Russ Toman, Cheri Marchio

Guests: RCSC Board Secretary Jean Totten and Cardholders Janet Curry, Mike Wendel

Approval of Prior Meeting Summary: The Meeting Summary of February 20, 2023, was amended on Page 1: Meeting Guidelines from “Chair Fast reviewed a document distributed to the committee on proposed meeting guidelines.” Should read: “reviewed a document on proposed meeting guidelines.”

Also, an amendment on Page 4, first paragraph: “Performing Art Center be put at Lakeview as originally proposed.” Should read: “Performing Art Center be put at Lakeview as proposed”.

The February 20, 2023 summary was approved as amended.

Old Business:

Utilization data: The discussion regarding the committee having access to updated utilization data came up again as it has in past meetings. It is felt that by having current data, the committee would have better guidelines on decision making for what we need to recommend to the Board and how to pay for future RCSC projects when developing and updating a 5 Year Master Plan.

It was stated that the utilization numbers are updated monthly but the motion for the committee to get the updated data on a consistent (monthly) basis has not been implemented.

Topics of Discussion:

Guest Speaker: Dave Pike, a retired Colorado Parks and Recreation Superintendent joined the meeting to speak about his experience in implementing a 5 Year Strategic Plan. In his parks facilities he incorporated facilities, amenities and equipment. He considered equipment age and usage. With facilities he considered usage vs capacity. The plan would include evaluation of the facilities and use an industry standard for replacement and then incorporate that into the Strategic Plan. He would work with the maintenance people to develop and maintain the plan.

Discussion: There was discussion again regarding the integration of RCSC management, the Board of Directors and the Long Range Planning Committee in the development and updating of a 5 Year Master Plan. A comment was made that the LRP Committee is not chartered to draft a 5 Year Plan, but to make recommendations for it. It was agreed upon that there needs to be a paradigm shift of communication between the 3 entities. Management doesn't look at things the same way as the LRP Committee might, and communicating recommendations and plans to the Board of Directors should be a more united decision-making process.

The possibility of using an outside consultant to assist in developing a 5 Year Master Plan was brought up. By having a comprehensive and detailed master plan, it might facilitate the process of obtaining grants and better justify why RCSC should be awarded grant money.

Lakeview Remodeling Project: The committee agreed that the most pressing issue facing us right now is the remodeling of the Lakeview Recreation Center. We have a unique opportunity to make the new center the “Crown Jewel” of the valley. We are the only community to have that kind of a lake and we should make that the focal point of the remodeling project.

It was recommended that the committee get an aerial photo of the lake property and get CCBG architects to meet with the committee to talk about some possibilities. Questions were asked as to where is the shore line and what kind of building would be most effective? One suggestion was to consider moving some outside activities indoors to accommodate seasonal usage and after hour accessibility.

The Committee should make a formal recommendation to the BOD to get started NOW. There should be no reason to wait for the Mountain View Project to be completed. Why can't we work on 2 projects at a time!?

It was agreed that the Mountain View project should be kept separate from the Lakeview project. The plans for Mountain View are still not solid, and the Lakeview project needs to be put in the 5 Year Master Plan so it can get started and completed in a timely manner.

Management should provide the plan to the LRP committee to review and provide input to the Board. It's up to the Board to find the money to implement the plans.

We also need to consider results from the ASU Survey to incorporate what the community wants.

Chair Fast committed to getting data from management and emailing it to the committee and putting the availability of updates on a routine schedule.

New Topic:

Meeting frequency: The committee voted 5-3 to change the meeting schedule to every other Tuesday at 8:30am. The availability of the Board Room will be confirmed.

Key Issues:

- 1) The Plan for the remodeling of the Lakeview Center
- 2) The 5 Year Master Plan – propose that management have one developed by year end 2023.
- 3) In 2024, develop a 10 Year and a 15 Year Master Plan with regular updates, not just at the end of the year.

Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at 10:20am.

Next Meeting: March 21, 2023, at 8:30am – Lakeview Center Boardroom

Respectively Submitted,

Candy Ruggiero, Secretary

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