

Parks, Recreation & Cultural Services

PR&CS Administration, 1401 Recreation Way, Colorado Springs, CO 80905



Agenda

Westside Community Center Working Committee

Thursday, July 20, 2023 2:00 p.m. Westside Comm. Center, 1628 W. Bijou

How to call in to the meeting for citizens:

Please dial +1 (720) 617-3426 Conference ID: 953 979 574#

How to comment:

- *For Citizen Discussion concerning items that are not on the agenda please email your comments to WCCWorkingCommittee@coloradosprings.gov in advance of the meeting.*
- *For Agenda Items - Before the meeting, those who wish to comment should submit their name, telephone number, and the topic or agenda item for comment to WCCWorkingCommittee@coloradosprings.gov. If you are a participant in Microsoft TEAMS please use the chat function to indicate you would like to comment. If you have joined the meeting via conference call, please listen for your opportunity to comment. You will be called upon to comment using the last four digits of your telephone number. Please limit your comment to three minutes.*

Announcements	Staff and Committee
Citizen Comment/Discussion	Citizens
Approval of Minutes Working Committee Meeting Minutes – May 18, 2023 Working Committee Meeting Minutes – June 15, 2023	Committee
Committee Announcements	Committee
Action Items	
Review of submitted <i>Proposals for Leased Space</i> (10 minutes) <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Pike Speak – Carlee Andress	Staff and Committee
Review of submitted <i>Proposals for Program/Services</i> (30 minutes) <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Medicare/Medicaid – Nick Palarino- Heartspace Kids, Inc. – Cinthia Brown- Piano Lessons – Carolyn Hatch	Staff and Committee

- 2024 AARP Tax Aid – Michael Campbell
- Homeschool gym drop-in – Jamie Bequette

West Fest Community Event and WC Meet and Greet – Kathy P. (15 minutes)

Committee Business

Committee

New Working Committee member recruitment/process/recruitment pools/updated timeline (10 minutes)

Communications Subcommittee (15 minutes)

Community Garden update / Partnerships/call for volunteers (5 minutes)

Staff Updates (15 minutes)

Staff

Westside Community Center Facility Operations – Press Release, Community Garden/Department Horticulture, Programs/schedule, outdoor art at the WCC

Westside Community Center Facility Enhancements – Comcast connection; Security Cameras; west playground fence

Presentation Items

Staff

Adjournment

Committee

**Westside Community Center Working Committee Meeting
Meeting Minutes
Thursday, June 15, 2023**

Members Present: Mary Tauras, Tena Jelenik, Liz Lopez Vaughan, Judy McKay-Harbert, Kathy Perry, Justin Trudeau

Parks Board Liaisons Absent: Greg Thornton

Staff Present: Mark Snow, Jamie Bequette, Felicia Barnhart, Kim King, Anna White

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Committee Chair Justin Trudeau brought the meeting to order at 2:03 p.m.

Agenda Preview

Committee Chair Justin Trudeau gave a preview of the agenda for the meeting.

Announcements

Jamie Bequette, Program Administrator, announced that there would be an updated group photo taken next meeting.

Citizen Discussion

Rich Lins, citizen, read the following statement to the Committee: "Mission Statement: The Westside Community Center Working Committee shall act in an advisory capacity to the Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services Advisory Board in matters pertaining to the Westside Community Center's building usage and provision of programs and services. The Working Committee serves to represent interests of the westside community and will advocate for a balance... activities... Has The Westside Working Committee WWC requested P&R to generate a plan for equitable full funding for WCC? Achieving full funding was a central piece of the citizens engagement process. Has the WWC pursued the proposition that a portion of the revenue earned at WCC should stay at WCC and not just go entirely to Colorado Springs General funds? I believe this was discussed and given tentative support by Ryan Trujillo, Deputy Chief of Staff during the citizens engagement process. The transfer of the TRP funding, staff and location to WCC, which occurred without citizens input, has precluded developing a full schedule of activities open to all during the last year and left staff dedicated for the WCC with no ability to schedule activities from 3 to 5 pm for the last several months. The WWC could vote to support a motion recommending that WCC staff schedules be flexed so that the center could be open in the evening hours. Pursuit of these ideas could simply take the form of passing a motion by the WWC. First, that a portion of funds raised at WCC should stay at WCC. Second, that P&R generate plans for equitable full funding for WCC. These two ideas were central recommendations of the citizens engagement project process. Third, by

passing a motion recommending that WCC staff schedules be flexed so that the center could be open in the evening hours. Please be our strong advocates. Has the WWC requested the names of the activity liaisons? Once receiving them each of the board members could undertake to be a liaison to one of the activities. Updates to the board member could be handled by a simple phone call or a quick email. I believe the rationale for doing this is obvious. I do appreciate that the WWC conducted an open house recently. I believe the community would have been better served by the WWC if in their approval process of various proposals, they had given an indication of their level of support For each proposal rather than just a thumbs up thumbs down. It is my understanding that the Funky Little Theater has withdrawn their proposal for activities at the Westside Community Center. I believe that WWC should be informed of the reasons the FLT stated for their withdrawal. I am requesting that the WWC request that the staff reports you receive be posted on the bulletin board here at the WCC? I want to thank Jamie for agreeing to post an activity schedule time change for a brief period prior to implementation. This will allow participants to adjust to the new schedule. I request the WWC who receives a monthly report on citizen participation at each committee meeting publicly review this report and allow for brief citizen commentary.”

Approval of Minutes – May 18, 2023 meeting minutes.

Motion – To approve the May 18, 2023 meeting minutes with proposed changes.

1st – Justin Trudeau, 2nd – Mary Tauras, Approved, Unanimously.

Committee Announcements

Meeting Norms

Committee Chair Justin Trudeau took a moment to comment on meeting norms. First, he stated that the aim of the meeting agenda is to stay within the two hour timeframe, if possible, though it is understandable that the meetings can run longer due to content. Mr. Trudeau asked that keeping questions on topic will help to keep meetings succinct. He reminded other Committee members that they can get up to use the restroom, take a phone call, etc. as needed. Additionally, he reminded Committee members that if they need to leave, they can also do so without feeling like they have to announce it.

Action Items

Proposals for Programs/Services

Drive Clean – Sonja Meinstma

Sonja Meinstma, citizen, provided a brief background on her service and white it would be a suitable fit for programming at the Center.

Motion: To recommend the Drive Clean proposal for potential implementation at the Westside Community Center.

1st – Mary Tauras, 2nd – Kathy Perry, Approved, Unanimously.

Intermediate Pickleball – Jerry Harkins

Jerry Harkins, citizen, provided a brief background on his program and why it would be a suitable fit for programming and services at the Center.

Multiple Committee members stated that they would support this proposal if Jerry would be willing to work with the current pickleball programming in place to find a time for his class, so programs are not being duplicated. Jamie Bequette stated that she would work with both groups. Mr. Harkins stated that he would be happy to work with the current group.

Motion: To recommend the Intermediate Pickleball proposal for potential implementation at the Westside Community Center.

1st – Justin Trudeau, 2nd – Tena Jelenik, Approved, Unanimously.

Music Classes – Charles (Chuck) Lucas

Charles Lucas, citizen, provided a brief background on his program and why it would be a suitable fit for programming and services at the Center.

Motion: To recommend the Music Classes proposal for potential implementation at the Westside Community Center.

1st – Kathy Perry, 2nd – Tena Jelenik, Approved, Unanimously.

Self-Care Arts/Walking Wellness – Baguazhang with Sifu – Martin Kelly

Martin Kelly, citizen, provided a brief background and demonstration of his program, and why it would be a suitable fit for programming and services at the Center.

Motion: To recommend the Self-Care Arts/Walking Wellness – Baguazhang with Sifu proposal for potential implementation at the Westside Community Center.

1st – Tena Jelenik, 2nd – Kathy Perry, Approved, Unanimously.

Elevate COS Twirlers – Jessica Mamula

Jessica Mamula, citizen, was not present at the time of the meeting, but multiple Committee members offered background information about her program.

Motion: To recommend the Kiwanis Club of Colorado Springs proposal for potential implementation at the Westside Community Center.

1st – Justin Trudeau, 2nd – Kathy Perry, Approved, Unanimously.

Committee Business

New Working Committee Member Recruitment/Process

Mark Snow, Community Recreation Manager, informed the Committee that Becky Fredell had resigned after the previous meeting, meaning there are three open positions on the Committee. Mark detailed the next steps in the recruitment process and timeline.

Communications Subcommittee

As discussed at the previous meeting, multiple Committee members felt that there could be improvements in outreach. Committee members Tena Jelenik and Mary Tauras have volunteered to operate a subcommittee focused on outreach. They will be identifying goals and objectives, as well as promoting the Center and available programs and services. They plan to meet monthly to discuss, and Jamie Bequette offered to be a part of the meetings as well. This meeting will take place on the Friday of the week after the meeting. Additionally, this will remain a standing item on future agendas for updates.

Community Garden Partnership

Committee Vice Chair Liz Lopez Vaughan informed the Committee that she intends to sponsor at least two of the beds in the community garden. Currently, only 14 beds have been reserved. A suggestion from the Committee was to work with local school districts to help get students involved for support, as well as seeing if schools would sponsor some of the beds. Ms. Lopez Vaughan stated that she would work on coordinating with the school districts. Committee Chair Justin Trudeau said he would also help to sponsor a bed.

Westside Community Center Meet and Greet

The next Westside Community Center Meet and Greet will take place on August 8, from 5:30 to 7:30. Committee members Tena Jelenik and Mary Tauras will help with the outreach. A suggestion was made to invite program providers to participate.

Staff Updates

Westside Community Center Facility Operations – Part-Time Maintenance Staff Position Posting; Volunteers; Recommended Proposal Status; Timing of Program Implementation; Scheduler Staff – Justin Kohl; Program Evaluations

Jamie Bequette, Program Administrator, Felicia Barnhart, Certified Recreation Therapist, and Mark Snow, Community Recreation Manager, provided the following updates to the Committee:

- There is a part-time maintenance position posting. The time frame for this position is a six month seasonal position.
- Justin Kohl was introduced as the new Scheduler and will be focused on scheduling across the community centers. Additionally, Justin will be taking the lead on the new scheduling software.
- The link for volunteer registration is on the webpage. Staff is trying to fill volunteer positions.
- Recently, a visiting ministry group helped to clean up the community garden as well as some maintenance around the Center.
- Jamie reviewed how scheduling is working for programs that are in place currently at the Center. Jamie detailed which programs are seeing success and the few that might need to be implemented at another time or could use some support. Jamie also informed the Committee of updated schedules.
- The contracts for the six potential leased spaces are under review with Real Estate Services. These leases have standard agreements.
- There will be a petting zoo at the Center tomorrow from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m.
- Jamie is working on processing program evaluations.
- There have been a few changes with program implementation on the staff side. Jamie will be asking for an intake form ahead of Committee review. This will make implementation move faster.

Westside Community Center Facility Enhancements – City Network; Hughes Hall Floor

Mark Snow, Community Recreation Manager, informed the Committee of the following enhancements:

- The Center is now on the City network.
- The floors in Hughes Hall have just been refinished and look great.

Presentation Items

There were no presentation items on this agenda.

Motion to Adjourn

Motion – Move to adjourn the Westside Community Center Working Committee meeting at 4:05 p.m.

1st- Justin Trudeau, 2nd – Judy McKay Harbert, Approved, Unanimously.



**Westside Community Center Campus, 1628 West Bijou
Leased Property Proposal**

This proposal form and all information contained within will be made public during the Westside Community Center Working Committee review process.

Organization Name: Pike Speak

Contact Name: Carlee Andress

Contact Email: elleandems88@gmail.com

Contact Phone: 719-306-6096

Organization website: NA

Current operating address: NA

Industry or Sector: Medical

Organization Information (please attach additional pages as needed)

Please describe your organization, including mission and vision.

Hello. My name is Carlee and I am a speech language pathologist, SLP. I have obtained my bachelor's degree and master's degree. I've been working for about a decade and I have raised 2 children of my own. My husband and I are involved in west side community growth and development by contributing to local museums and boards. I have been working in home for awhile now which means I drive to the homes of my clients while working with families. However it has been a long term dream of mine to have my own space.

Please describe how you see your organization integrating into the Westside Community Center Campus and neighborhood.

Living on the westside myself, I have encountered several times where I have had to drive my children to Briargate for most of their sports and activities. I feel the north, east, and south sides of COS have grown so quickly and catered their growth to young families leaving our own part of town not as equipped to provide the same opportunities. I would love to serve the families of the west side as this is my own neighborhood, and I am proud of it. I want my work to be an investment for the west side

Please describe how your organization will bring value to the Westside Community Center Campus and neighborhood.

Many young children have speech, language, feeding, social, literacy delays. It is imperative they receive quality treatment to support their academic and social growth. However like I said, many clinics such as Children's or Shandy clinic are in other parts of town causing a burden to our west side families who have to drive 15 minutes or more to reach a therapy clinic for their child.

Please describe how you intend to make your business successful at the Westside Center Campus.

I believe the west side supports each other. I think I could easily partner with schools to help screen children and identify those in need. I could partner with Springs Medical Billing so this is not a financial burden but rather I could bill the family's insurance. Speech therapy is such an essential tool for learning- I want every child to have equal access.



Number of years in business: 0

Anticipated Use of Leased Space *(please use additional pages as needed)*

Description of anticipated operational use of leased space:

speech therapy clinic

Number of staff expected to be housed on site at the Westside Community Center

Campus:

1

Anticipated foot traffic:

5-10/day

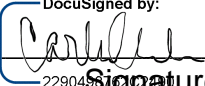
Anticipated daily/weekly operating/usage hours:

Mon, wed, sat 9-2

Optional: You may submit a cover letter expressing your interest in leasing space at the Westside Community Center Campus.

Statement of Understanding

*I understand that this is a proposal to lease property on the Westside Community Center Campus. I understand that this form and all information contained within will be made public during the Westside Community Center Working Committee review process. I acknowledge that the City is subject to the Colorado Open (Public) Records Act, C.R.S. § 24-72-201 et. seq. I further understand that, if selected to discuss a lease agreement, I will be contacted by a member of the City of Colorado Springs Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services Department. **Failure to sign and return this form could result in the rejection of the entire submission.***

DocuSigned by:

229048
Signature of proposer

6/13/2023
Today's Date



**Westside Community Center Campus
Contract Program or Service Provider Proposal**

This proposal form and all information contained within will be made public during the Westside Community Center Working Committee review process.

Organization or Provider Name: Heartspace Kids, Inc.

Contact Name: Cinthia Brown

Contact Email: cinthia@heartspace-kids.org

Contact Phone: 970-680-3326

Type of Organization: Individual For Profit Non-Profit Other: _____

What type of program or service are you proposing?

- Program (Defined as an ongoing, multi-session offering that builds on skills or learning from session to session, typically lead by an individual or instructor)
- Service (Defined as an offering providing a community good, either for no or nominal cost, to enhance community understanding of a particular topic or be a resource or service for the community)
- Other:

Organization and Proposed Program Information

(please attach additional pages as needed)

Please describe your proposed contract program or service. Include the title, description, populations served, anticipated attendance per class and general participant fees (if applicable). Please also include how this program or service is of value to the Westside Community, list goals and objectives of the program or service, and describe how you intend to make this program successful.

Heartspace Kids would like to propose a Community Outreach program for the families and parents served by the Westside community center. The proposed program/services encompass workshops and educational sessions that focus social-emotional learning/wellness, mindful parenting strategies, and mental health education. All sessions/workshops would be provided at a donation based rate and be led by qualified mental health and educational counselors from Heartspace Kids. Our goals for the implementation of a Community outreach program will be to provide parents and families facing the higher disparities of mental health with quality education and awareness in a financially and geographically accessible manner. Overall program objectives/learning outcomes will include, but are not limited to: developing a greater understanding emotional health issues facing children today, addressing problematic behaviors, learning self-regulation techniques for parents and children, and learning positive communication strategies. Heartspace Kids plans to make this program successful by partnering with neighboring schools/organizations, and using grant funds to offer educational materials to participants.

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Optional: You may submit a cover letter further expressing your interest in offering this contract program or service at the Westside Community Center Campus.

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DocuSigned by:
Cynthia Brown
Signature of proposer

6/19/2023
Today's Date



**Westside Community Center Campus
Contract Program or Service Provider Proposal**

This proposal form and all information contained within will be made public during the Westside Community Center Working Committee review process.

Organization or Provider Name: _____

Contact Name: Carolyn Hatch

Contact Email: gomusicmama@hotmail.com

Contact Phone: 719-625-5146

Type of Organization: Individual For Profit Non-Profit Other: _____

What type of program or service are you proposing?

Program (Defined as an ongoing, multi-session offering that builds on skills or learning from session to session, typically lead by an individual or instructor)

Service (Defined as an offering providing a community good, either for no or nominal cost, to enhance community understanding of a particular topic or be a resource or service for the community)

Other: _____

Organization and Proposed Program Information

(please attach additional pages as needed)

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Multi-session piano lessons with adults, one day a week for an hour. Teaching beginners how to play and understand music theory. Keyboards and electrical equipment provided by Chuck Lucas. I hope this program will stimulate the mind and give some fun to the students.

(proposal form continues on next page)



Optional: You may submit a cover letter further expressing your interest in offering this contract program or service at the Westside Community Center Campus.

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Carolyn A. Hatch

Signature of proposer

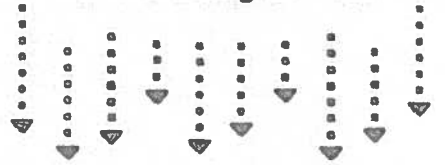
May 18, 2023

Today's Date

THIS IS YOUR..... BRAIN ON PIANO

PLAYING THE PIANO IS FUN

but check out all the things your
brain is doing at once!



EYES

Sight-reading on the piano involves reading two lines of music, each in a different clef.

VISUAL CORTEX

OCCIPITAL LOBE

EARS

Pianists listen to notes being played and adjust their playing accordingly.

AUDITORY CORTEX

TEMPORAL LOBE

2 HANDS

Both hands often play intricate rhythms independently from each other.

PRIMARY MOTOR CORTEX

PREFRONTAL CORTEX

CEREBELLUM

KEEPING TIME

Pianists accurately "keep time" by synthesizing and synchronizing all sensory input and motor activity. In addition, they are able to subdivide the beat in a myriad ways.

PREFRONTAL CORTEX

CEREBELLUM

10 FINGERS

Very few, if any, instruments require the use of all ten fingers.

PRIMARY MOTOR CORTEX

PREFRONTAL CORTEX

CEREBELLUM

SPATIAL

Pianists know where all the notes are without having to look at the piano keyboard.

PARIETAL LOBE

CEREBELLUM

RIGHT HEMISPHERE

ARTISTIC INTERPRETATION

Pianists transmit emotion by capturing the mood, style, and tempo of a song, using performance techniques such as dynamics, articulation, rhythm, and expressive timing.

PREFRONTAL CORTEX

PROPRIOCEPTION

Pianists are aware of the relative position of neighbouring parts of their body and the strength of effort being employed in movement.

CEREBELLUM



**Westside Community Center Campus
Contract Program or Service Provider Proposal**

This proposal form and all information contained within will be made public during the Westside Community Center Working Committee review process.

Organization or Provider Name: AARP Foundation Tax Aide

Contact Name: Michael Campbell

Contact Email: campbells1407@gmail.com

Contact Phone: (719)3603810

Type of Organization: Individual For Profit Non-Profit Other: _____

What type of program or service are you proposing?

- Program (Defined as an ongoing, multi-session offering that builds on skills or learning from session to session, typically lead by an individual or instructor)
- Service (Defined as an offering providing a community good, either for no or nominal cost, to enhance community understanding of a particular topic or be a resource or service for the community)
- Other:

Organization and Proposed Program Information

(please attach additional pages as needed)

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AARP Taxaide has been providing free tax preparation for seniors and low income clients at WCC for nine years. The service is extremely popular and is always oversubscribed.

The program is overseen by the AARP Foundation and the IRS. All our volunteers must recertify each year.

We would like to continue providing this service to the community. We process around 30 tax returns per day, on Mondays and Thursdays, from the start of February until Tax Day. In total, we will help over 600 people.

We are not overly concerned about rooms, as long as we can get a waiting room and a room big enough for 8-9 tables. We start at 9.00am, and our last appointment is 1.00pm, which means that we may not be finished until almost 3.00pm.

WCC has been a good home to us, and we are grateful for the help we receive.

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Optional: You may submit a cover letter further expressing your interest in offering this contract program or service at the Westside Community Center Campus.

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DocuSigned by:
MICHAEL CAMPBELL
Signature of proposer

3/12/2023
Today's Date



**Westside Community Center Campus
Contract Program or Service Provider Proposal**

This proposal form and all information contained within will be made public during the Westside Community Center Working Committee review process.

Organization or Provider Name: WCC

Contact Name: Jamie Bequette

Contact Email: jamie.bequette@coloradosprings.gov

Contact Phone: 719-385-7125

Type of Organization: Individual For Profit Non-Profit Other: WCC

What type of program or service are you proposing?

- Program (Defined as an ongoing, multi-session offering that builds on skills or learning from session to session, typically lead by an individual or instructor)
- Service (Defined as an offering providing a community good, either for no or nominal cost, to enhance community understanding of a particular topic or be a resource or service for the community)
- Other: open gym time - drop-in

Organization and Proposed Program Information

(please attach additional pages as needed)

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Proposing opportunity for homeschool families to access Hughes Hall for free as drop-in time. This would expand WCC's reach to new audiences and increase participation from younger demographic. This offering would allow homeschool families socialization in a safe, indoor environment and could expand networks across homeschool groups.

Drop-in time could be once a week or bi-weekly, as desirable for families with seasonality considered, and fit within scheduling.

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DocuSigned by:
Jamie Bequette

Signature of proposer

7/11/2023

Today's Date



**Westside Community Center Campus
Contract Program or Service Provider Proposal**

This proposal form and all information contained within will be made public during the Westside Community Center Working Committee review process.

Organization or Provider Name: On Trail Medicare Solutions

Contact Name: Nick Palarino

Contact Email: Nick@OnTrailMS.com

Contact Phone: 719 3383972

Type of Organization: Individual For Profit Non-Profit Other: Insurance Agent

What type of program or service are you proposing?

- Program (Defined as an ongoing, multi-session offering that builds on skills or learning from session to session, typically lead by an individual or instructor)
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- Other:

Organization and Proposed Program Information

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Service: provide NO COST relationship-based education and services to ensure EVERY Medicare eligible person understands Medicare and all their options to optimize coverage and benefits. We commit to advocate for you today and all your tomorrows.

Title: Medicare 101 Education for all Medicare eligible individuals
Population Served. Medicare Eligible turning 65, under 65 on Medicare, Medicare and Medicaid, and military and non military
Anticipated Attendance. 25
General Participant Fees. No costs / no obligations

Providing Medicare 101 to the westside community is an opportunity to educate individuals on understanding the confusing enrollment, what they are entitled too, when they should or can enroll and the options available to them under the federal health insurance program. I would like to grow this into a predictable and safe program where community members can come.

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Optional: You may submit a cover letter further expressing your interest in offering this contract program or service at the Westside Community Center Campus.

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DocuSigned by:
Nick Palantino

Signature of proposer

6/8/2023

Today's Date

Snow, Mark

From: Melvin, Cassie
Sent: Tuesday, July 11, 2023 2:37 PM
To: Snow, Mark; Jamie Bequette
Subject: FW: Westside Community Center thriving after a year under City operations
Attachments: WCC 2.jpg



NEWS RELEASE

July 11, 2023

FOR MORE INFORMATION

Cassie Melvin
Public Communications Specialist
719-726-4175

Westside Community Center thriving after a year under City operations

COLORADO SPRINGS, Colo. – The City of Colorado Springs Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services (PRCS) department is accepting proposals from local businesses, organizations, community partners and service providers interested in leasing space in the Westside Community Center (WCC), located in Old Colorado City.

June marked the one-year anniversary of the facility being operated by the City. The community center has thrived this year by operating as a public-private partnership, integrating feedback from residents' recommendations through the participation process in 2022. This partnership allows for City staffing and funding while providing revenue-generating opportunities through external partners and nonprofit organizations.

Many substantial steps have been taken to respond to community feedback and to ensure the center's success. In addition to the proposal process for leasing space, these efforts include the establishment of the Westside Community Center Working Committee, a subcommittee of the PRCS Advisory Board.

"It's really amazing to see the space come to life through tenants, user groups, community members and other partners," says Kim King, Assistant Director of PRCS. "We have come a long way and are proud of the responsiveness and hard work from our staff and the westside community. Together, we look forward to a vibrant and active future for the Westside Community Center campus."

New community partners are currently using the space including the YMCA of the Pikes Peak Region, Westside CARES Community Food Pantry, United Hearts Community School, and the Colorado Visiting Nurse Association Foot Care Clinic. Opportunities for new programs and additional tenants are still available.

"The community is excited and motivated as the Westside Community Center comes together," said Justin Trudeau, WCC Working Committee Chair. "We've got great staff, great program providers, and so much potential. Our goal is to grow the center past its previous level of use."

Proposals are currently being accepted online and in person. Forms can be picked up and dropped off during business hours at the community center or submitted to PRCS recreation manager, Mark Snow at 1401 Recreation Way, Colorado Springs, CO 80905. Businesses and organizations applying must meet specific requirements as outlined by the City and the WCC Working Committee which are identified in the proposal documents.

The WCC Working Committee is also accepting applications for new committee members. Applications are available on the website or at the community center.

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City of Colorado Springs says Westside Community Center thriving after year under city management



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OLD COLORADO CITY, Colo. (KRDO) -- The City of Colorado Springs says the Westside Community Center (WCC) is thriving after a year of being operated by the city.

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June marked the one-year anniversary of the facility being operated by the city and the city said that in that time, the center has thrived by operating as a public-private partnership and integrating feedback from residents' recommendations through the participation process in 2022.



organizations, community partners, and service providers interested in leasing space in the WCC.

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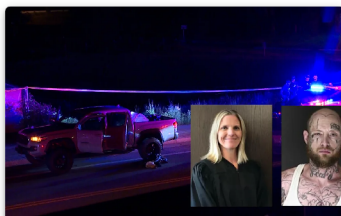
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The city said many substantial steps have been taken to respond to community feedback and to ensure the center’s success. In addition to the proposal process for leasing space, these efforts include the establishment of the Westside Community Center Working Committee, which is a subcommittee of the PRCS Advisory Board.

According to the city, new community partners are currently using the space including the YMCA of the Pikes Peak Region, Westside CARES Community Food Pantry, United Hearts Community School, and the Colorado Visiting Nurse Association Foot Care Clinic. Opportunities for new programs and additional tenants are also still available.

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