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TO: Community Center Working Group (CCWG)
FROM: Chuck Stifter, Parks and Recreation Director
CC: Heidi Nelson, City Administrator
DATE: March 15, 2022
SUBJECT: Community Center Working Group kickoff meeting – March 15

Thank you all for your willingness to participate in the Community Center expansion and renovation project. You each are invited to bring your knowledge, experience, and passion to engage in the continued planning and design discussion and also to provide input on the public communication effort. This group plans to meet monthly through October in preparation for the local option sales tax vote in early November. The need to continue the work of this group or some form of this group beyond the vote will be decided at a later date.

Meetings will generally include a presentation followed by discussion. The series of monthly meetings kicks off Tuesday, March 15, in the Senior Center at the Community Center. This initial meeting will include CCWG introductions, a message from our legal counsel, a project overview, and finish with discussion. The meetings are scheduled to last no more than two hours. We will also discuss the meeting schedule going forward, so please bring your calendars.

Attached with this memo and meeting agenda is information from the city attorney outlining the importance of how you will communicate to the public as members of the CCWG. Our attorney will present their guidance at the kickoff meeting. We will also hear from the project architect, Hammel Green Abramson, who has provided consultant services throughout the planning and community engagement process.

Prior to this first meeting, we strongly encourage you to familiarize yourself with the project by visiting the website growingtogethermaplegrove.org.

Please feel free to contact me at cstifter@maplegrovmn.gov / 763-494-6501 with any questions or if you are unable to attend.

We look forward to your active participation and especially appreciate your time and commitment. They will be very beneficial as the Community Center expansion and renovation project unfolds.