Committee Members
David Reggiani, Chair
Robert Baty
Martin Moe
Jim Kacsh
Dick Groff

CITY OF CORDOVA PUBLIC SAFETY BUILDING DESIGN COMMITTEE MEETING APRIL 21, 2011 @ 7:00 PM LIBRARY MEETING ROOM

Deputy City Clerk Robyn Kincaid

Mike Hicks

Tom Bailer

AGENDA

A. CALL TO ORDER

B. ROLL CALL David Reggiani, Robert Baty, Martin Moe, Jim Kacsh, Dick Groff, Mike Hicks a	and Tom Bailer
C. APPROVAL OF AGENDA	(voice vote)
D. AUDIENCE COMMENTS	(3 min per speaker)
E. APPROVAL OF MINUTES	(page 1) (page 6)
3. Review Floor Plan(Available online and in	<u> </u>
G. AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION H. COMMITTEE COMMENTS	(3 min per speaker)

I. ADJOURNMENT

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CITY COUNCIL OF CORDOVA PUBLIC SAFETY BUILDING DESIGN COMMITTEE MEETING JANUARY 27, 2011 @ 7:00 PM LIBRARY MEETING ROOM MINUTES

A. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman David Reggiani called the Public Safety Building Design committee meeting to order at 7:03 pm on January 27, 2011 in the Library Meeting Room.

B. ROLL CALL

Present were Chair *David Reggiani*, Committee Members *Robert Baty*, *Martin Moe*, *Jim Kacsh*, *Dick Groff*, *Mike Hicks*, and *Tom Bailer*. Also present was Deputy City Clerk *Robyn Kincaid*, Fire Marshal *Oscar Delpino*, CH2MHill representative *Monique Lussier* and several members of the volunteer fire department.

C. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

M/Groff S/Kacsh to approve the agenda Vote on motion: 7 yeas, 0 nays. Motion carried.

D. APPROVAL OF MINUTES - none

E. NEW & MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

1. Historical review of committee work

Reggiani started the meeting by reviewing the packet of resources and giving a historical review of committee work to date on this topic. He stated that the City Council approved the Comprehensive Plan in 2008 but the process began in 1995. The long term goal in the comprehensive plan is that the Police and Fire departments need to be moved out of the flood zone. Bailer added that he was serving on P&Z when they started to work on the comprehensive plan and they took everything section by section. He stated that the plan was well thought out. Oscar stated that some equipment has been updated because of this plan. The committee reviewed the previous Director of Public Works, Gary Squires, November 2008 memo to Council, and then moved the discussions on to the City Buildings committee. Reggiani read aloud the City Buildings committee final report found in the packet. It was pointed out that this committee looked at each of the City owned buildings to evaluate their needs and possible replacements. The committee was confined to looking for land for the replacement buildings to only currently owned City properties. From that process came the three ideas found in the packet for a new site for a new police and fire facility. Reggiani read aloud the Police and Fire Facilities committee final report also found in the packet. The committee then reviewed the Police and Fire Facilities Committee's listed findings, including their list of pros and cons. Monique Lussier from CH2MHill asked if the Copper River highway (CRH) location would have avalanche threats. Groff responded that it would be required to look into and that it does happen on the road. Bailer stated that snow dump location and taking up retail space are hot issues with the downtown location and added that no one is interested in keeping the Library/museum buildings. *Groff* mentioned that the CRH site is a mile further away from most fires, which are usually in the business district. *Lussier* asked if there is a map of the current snow dump locations. The answer was yes and that it will be included in the next packet. *Bailer* said the reason the snow dump is such a big deal is because it is so expensive to move the snow elsewhere. *Lussier* asked if the size of the snow dump could be reduced instead of eliminated. *Bailer* replied that the public works department would have to make that decision. *Reggiani* transitioned the meeting from the history of what has been done thus far to where we are trying to go. He stated that the committee's task from Council is to provide the City Council with a conceptual design for a new public safety building. The parameters are to work with CH2MHill, to review both locations and to encourage community input. This meeting is to help get everyone on the same page and start looking forward by creating a roadmap.

2. Road map to conceptual design

Lussier stated that CH2MHill is involved to help guide the process to a concept design. She would like to see a 2-day workshop to look at building requirements and to come up with a conceptual design with a cost sheet for both sites. The goal is to put data to ideas. Once a site is chosen, we will already have the information to take to the legislature and to start applying for grants to move to the next steps. Reggiani stated that the committee would be looking to have the police and fire departments as well as City staff (specifically the public works department) to help create the design. Dan Jager stated that he did not see avalanches being a problem with the CRH location and that it is accessible to water and sewer. Lussier stated that CH2MHill is here to listen and do some data mining so they will be asking many questions. She added that the agenda for the workshop is ambitious to get solid information to hand to the legislator. She pointed out that a conceptual design is just to work up a concept of what the building might be like. We can assign dollars to it but it can still be adjusted. Lussier also added that they would want to make the design compatible with the rest of the communities' esthetic. Bailer stated that in these kinds of meetings, the committees hear a lot of "no's" but he would like to hear some "why not's" let us start putting some solutions to the issues. Reggiani stated that this meeting will include Cathy Sherman who will give a historical view of Cordova, Monique Lussier will talk about what other communities have done similar to what Cordova is looking into, and the meeting will be opened up to dialogue.

Lussier presented a slide show of other buildings similar to what Cordova can expect from CH2MHill. Bailer requested the building not use stucco siding. Lussier agreed and said that they will be looking for a zero maintenance building. Reggiani asked what would be used to put a design into place. Lussier responded that historical context would be taken into consideration. The building will need to be built to the downtown district scale. She stated that they want this building to be a landmark. Bailer agreed the building does become part of the community.

Cathy Sherman presented a slide show showing a historical view of Cordova. The slide show featured historical pictures of the fire department, Main Street, and other notable landmark buildings important to the history of Cordova. Sherman mentioned that the highest population she can authenticate is close to six thousand during the construction of the railroad. Lussier inquired what the population is currently. Sherman responded that it is just shy of twenty-one hundred.

Reggiani opened the meeting up for discussion. *Dan Jager* stated that the CRH location does not get much sun. The library location facilitates walking access, however, the drainage and snow removal with the downtown site is a big issue. Main street currently dumps snow off the street by Wells Fargo Bank and that isn't City owned, if they ever ask us not to do that anymore there will be a real issue. *Jager* mentioned that if the state were to get involved with perhaps the highway it might cut down on the cost for road maintenance and easements. *Martin Moe* agreed that the chunk of property being used as a snow dumped is privately owned. *Susan Bourgeois* pointed out that the downtown spot is a critical

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retail location. Tom Carpenter stated that he wants the departments to have a proper facility, however, to find a retail location on Main Street is hard. He is concerned that non-profits are taking up retail space on Main Street. He is concerned that Main street will become a business district instead of a retail district. He personally would love to move his business to Main Street. He added that the snow dump is an issue, in a good snow year it does get full, and it will be expensive to transport it elsewhere. He proposed that an option might be to sell the downtown location for retail space and use the profits for purchasing a more suitable piece of land. Reggiani asked Carpenter if he had a place in mind for the City to purchase. Carpenter replied that he did not have a site in mind as he did not know what the site would require. Cathy Sherman pointed out that properties have changed since the start of this process, years ago, maybe now would be a good time to start looking at what is available to purchase. Bailer stated that they did look at City and some non-City properties but they all would be expensive to develop. He also added that there are some places currently open and some opening up soon. Oscar Delpino asked how much in profits the City would earn if they should sell the property and will they be selling for the money. What if someone buys it and doesn't build a business. The reply was it would be the value of the property itself however; the amount of the building removal would have to be taken into consideration. Although the City will probably incur the expense even if they don't decide to build the Public Safety Building there. Bailer stated that any land purchase from the City comes with a performance agreement and they will have to have a good business plan, all of which would be verified through the negotiation process. Kacsh presented the idea that it may be too much going into a single building for the downtown location. Perhaps the Committee needs to consider dividing the departments to avoid having too massive of a structure. He also mentioned that emergency responders driving to the downtown location could be dangerous. Bailer stated that design could allow for parking in the alleyway. Hicks stated that traffic would fix with education. Jager mentioned that to split the departments disqualify the City from state funds. He also stated that if someone from the community wants to build a business at that site then the City should let them do it and not hold the land. Delpino asked if the Troopers would be incorporated into the building. Baty said he had looked into it but had not received a response yet. He asked when the library was built and how long the City had owned the property. Sherman responded that the Museum was built in 1967 on a grant from the state and the Library was added on in 1971. Jager offered that before the Library and Museum it was just a big vacant lot. Hicks offered that if the footprint of the new building is the same as the current building than parking would not be an issue. Bailer asked if the snow could be put against back of the building, using it as a retaining wall. Lussier replied that drainage would be an issue. It could be feasible. She would be concerned about circulation around the building. Bailer proposed that the downtown location could be used for the police and fire departments as well as a retail and snow dump location. Carpenter asked if it is important that the fire department be on the corner and the library side of the site is the most attractive piece for retail property. He also asked if the little house next to the museum side of the site be purchased and used along with the museum lot for the new building leaving the library lot for retail. Reggiani stated that those options could be explored now that we have an architect available. Lussier said that at this point no ideas are bad ideas. We can move stuff around and play with ideas on paper now. Hicks asked what was on the property before the Library and Museum. Sherman responded that it was a swamp and that they filled it to build the Library/Museum. Delpino asked how many lots the downtown site sits on. Response was three lots. Bourgeois responded that it could be re-platted and carved into a different size. Bailer stated that the next step is to get a footprint and then decide a location that meets the needs of the footprint after we see how much square footage and parking will be required. Carolyn Roesbery stated that she does not want another massive structure on Main Street and requested that they not remove the cottonwood tree. Moe stated that the comprehensive plan states that the public

safety building be a historical place for a landmark. He also stated he would like to see the idea of two sites looked into on different footprints for consideration. *Sherman* stated that she had a point of view she wanted to share just because she could not stand not sharing. If we take into consideration the divorce rate in Cordova and then consider putting Whiskey Ridge on one side of the street and then Net Loft of the other the arguments would be less because they would know where the other is. After the laughter subsided discussion followed regarding the buildings utilized in the past and their historical value. *Kacsh* mentioned that multiple levels are less cost effective with elevators. *Bailer* responded that the cost of an elevator and the cost of a spread out developed site might equal themselves out. *Groff* handed out a list of the space requirements for the Fire Department not connected to a Police Department. He highlighted a few items and also pointed out that the elevation of the building needs to be considered for tsunami threats. The current location is the low, the downtown site is the high, and the CRH location is in the middle. *Lussier* stated that this was all useful data. The numbers will be brought out in the workshop, which will include wish lists from both departments. She also inquired who would be using the building: Police, Fire, Troopers, Community etc. It needs to be determined for square footage needs.

Baty added that the Police Department has a wish list and much of it can be combined with the Fire Departments wish list. Bailer pointed out that Dispatchers are shared between the departments and that the dispatchers act as jailers too. A separate facility would leave the fire facility cold at night and open to vandalism. He stated that he thinks the Police and Fire departments need to go together but at this point everything else is open. Hicks said that we can look at separate locations. It will be more expensive to develop two sites but if we can't find a site to accommodate a combined building then maybe that will become the better option. Delpino stated that currently the Fire Department is just a volunteer department currently, they would like to develop into the future to have a Firefighter onsite at all times but currently it is just a volunteer department and the building sits empty.

Martin Moe left at 9:00 pm

The committee discussed what the two-day work session will involve and what the committee needs to bring. In the discussion it was decided that the committee is comfortable with a combined site and that currently what the committee is looking for is a conceptual design to take to the legislature to seek funds to continue the planning and designing process. The two-day workshop was scheduled for February 8-9 with morning and afternoon sessions.

F. AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION – none

G. COMMITTEE COMMENTS

Bailer thanked the community and Sam Greenwood the City Planner for coming to the meeting. He pointed out to Monique that he is not a fan of LEED and requested she focus more on efficiency. He encouraged the committee to bring questions for CH2MHill to the workshop.

Baty stated that getting this process started now for next year is great and that he really appreciated the public input.

Kacsh stated that he is okay with LEED if it is cost effective as it may be important for grant funding as long as the building is energy efficient.

Groff stated he was glad for the amount of public that came to the meeting but wished more had come.

Reggiani thanked the community and Monique for coming to the meeting with input and feedback.

H. ADJOURNMENT

M/Bailer S/Kacsh to adjourn the Public Safety Building Design Committee Meeting. Vote on motion: 6 yeas, 0 nays. Motion carried.

The me	eting adjourned at 9:40 pm.
Approv	ed:
Attest:_	Robyn Kincaid, Deputy City Clerk

CITY COUNCIL OF CORDOVA PUBLIC SAFETY BUILDING DESIGN COMMITTEE MEETING FEBRUARY 28, 2011 @ 7:00 PM LIBRARY MEETING ROOM MINUTES

A. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman David Reggiani called the Public Safety Building Design committee meeting to order at 7:02 pm on February 28, 2011 in the Library Meeting Room.

B. ROLL CALL

Present were Chair *David Reggiani*, Committee Members *Martin Moe*, *Jim Kacsh*, *Dick Groff*, *Mike Hicks*, and *Tom Bailer*. Absent was *Robert Baty*. Also present were City Manager *Mark Lynch*, Deputy City Clerk *Robyn Kincaid* and Fire Marshal *Oscar Delpino*.

C. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

M/Bailer S/Kacsh to approve the agenda Vote on motion: 6 yeas, 0 nays. Motion carried.

Baty arrived at 7:05 pm

D. AUDIENCE COMMENTS

David O'Brien, 701 Ninth St, owner of Cordova Drug/Radio Shack, stated he wanted to make a clarification on the parking issue. He read a letter into record specifically mentioning that the parking lot downtown was bought by several businesses and turned into a parking lot. He mentioned that the downtown location is prime real estate and he would hate to see the City pass up an opportunity for more parking. He gave several scenarios for which more parking would be wished for and/or needed near the Cordova Center on Main Street. He suggested the covered drop off area for the Cordova Center be put down at the larger parking lot instead of up on Main Street to encourage more parking down there. Bailer asked O'Brien if he would like the complete downtown site to be a parking lot. O'Brian responded in the affirmative.

Jim Nygaard, superintendent of schools, thanked the committee members that had attended their last School Board meeting. He stated he has some comments for the committee from the School Board that he can provide to the committee.

Clay Koplin, Chamber of Commerce and CEC, stated that there are some rumors going around that CEC is interested in the downtown site for their new building. He wanted to let everyone know that is not true. CEC is looking to move to get out of the landlord/renter situation they are in but are not looking at the Main Street property. He stated that he does think there is a better site to consider for the Public Safety Building and he is taking Mark Lynch out to see the property tomorrow. Bailer asked Koplin as the President of the Chamber of Commerce what the businesses are wanting with this site. Koplin

responded that if you ask ten people you would get ten different answers. He stated that he thinks that the old buildings need to be removed. He added that to take up Main Street property with a non-sales based building would hurt the purpose of the retail/business district of Cordova. Retail space and parking on Main Street are real needs. Looking at getting rid of Bidarki might be a good place for retail or parking options as well.

Jennifer Gibbins, Browning Street, stated that as the past president of the Chamber of Commerce they have consistently held the same position. They want to encourage more business to the downtown district and take into consideration the parking concerns. She stated that she is not sold on the Copper River Highway Site (CRH) over the downtown site mostly because the cost is so high. She stated that the community has presented good concerns with the downtown site. CRH site development would however, enhance the esthetics of that area. Gibbins added that the community has a high regard for the departments and that they are not saying no to the building but to the site. Reggiani stated that the committee was tasked to build a design to both sites. The committee will not be selecting a site. They are looking currently at building costs and space needs not site preparations. Gibbins stated that when the process started it was viewed that a site had been selected. Kacsh stated that he does not feel that a full-scale look for a site has been done yet. The big picture of site selection still needs to be done. There are options outside of what has been considered thus far and nothing is off the table. This committee will nail down square footage and building needs so that a suitable location can be chosen. Gibbins added that bringing in CH2MHill was a great idea. Bailer stated that at one of the first meetings, years ago, they did look at the whole town. Things have changed though and there will be options in the end. There are elements in the downtown conceptual plan that will be good no matter where the new building is built. Gibbins suggested that this process might help motivate more business to come to town.

E. APPROVAL OF MINUTES - none

F. NEW & MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

1. Synthesis of Community Comments

Reggiani suggested the committee go through the letters in the packet, which had been presented by community members to the committee, and identify items to add and consider to the pros and cons list. The committee reviewed the Resolution from the School District first. It pointed out that the Departments are very active in youth programs. The concern was that if the new building were too far away from the school they would have to drive to it for student activities. Bailer stated he does not see this as a risk as driving is a concern everywhere and that many of the concerns have already been addressed with plans for sidewalks and crosswalks. Baty stated that there has been a recurring concern of the students contact with "bad guys". He wanted to point out that in the very design of the building every opportunity for escape or contact has been eliminated or mitigated. Everything to do with an undesirable is controlled. Even if they were somehow able to escape one control, they would be trapped inside another control designed into the building. Reggiani asked Baty to explain what a "Sally Port" is for clarification. Baty responded the Sally Port is a drive-in garage that is controlled by dispatch. The door shuts behind the car and there is no way out. The door into the jail facility is controlled also. If the person under arrest were to get away from the officer, they would still be trapped in that garage. The cells will not have windows either. He also added that the facility only holds people for hours not days. It is a temporary holding facility dealing with only short term and minor cases. Everything else is handled in Anchorage. Reggiani asked what would lead to holding a prisoner several days. Baty responded that it would have to be sentenced through the court and be at low risk. The only time the

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Department would be dealing with a high risk would be if weather did not allow for transporting. Moe said to think of the Sally Port as a large mantrap and that this concern seems to be mitigated by design. Bailer asked if those on the abuse list have to check in at the department. Hicks responded that a new resident has to check in with the local Law Enforcement within 24 hours and once a year. He stated he was not sure if there was a proximity to schools rule but they can check in at the trooper station also. Kacsh stated that parking on Second Street for first responders is a concern to him. Reggiani replied that there is a spot designated by design for first responders to double park off the main street access way. He also added that the Department would implement rules that responders are not to respond from or through the Second or Adams Streets. Groff stated that training would mitigate many of the concerns with the responders. They had 200 halls last year, most were for medical transport. For a call to responders, the most you will get responding will be 15 volunteers. Hicks offered that some respond to the scene and not to the station. Usually only 7 respond to the fire hall with a total of about 15 to a call. Also not all responders respond all the time. They may have job responsibilities or be out of town. Bailer stated he is glad for the efforts to mitigate the concern with the responders and likes that they would not be using Second or Adams Streets. Reggiani stated that the Parks & Rec letter mostly addressed snow concerns. He posed the question of where the snow would be transported to if it could not be stored at the downtown location any longer. Lynch stated that the costs in the letter were generalized and could be narrowed down if a location was specified for the snow dump. Kacsh stated that even on the low end moving the snow would cost the City money. Bailer stated that Rob Brown suggested the downtown site have a temporary holding place for snow to be moved after the initial big snow clearing. Reggiani asked Lynch to look into the numbers. Bailer stated that engineers come into play with some of the snow dump planning. He also added that esthetics is important and snow dumps do not look good and no matter what goes into this site the snow dump is going to continue to be an issue. Reggiani stated that esthetic is important and maybe the parking concern is more of a P&Z issue. There are development needs with the downtown site beyond the design for the new Public Safety Building. Bailer stated that there is talk of developing site across from Plumbline. The concern with any main street development is parking. A parking lot at the downtown site will still pose a concern with kids walking. Reggiani stated that Code does not require new businesses on Main Street to provide off street parking. This may need to be looked at and possibly written into a purchase agreement. He added that he also found in Code a Historical Preservation commission that was weaved into the Historical Society that was to be formed for a review annually. He said he does not know if it is current or if it is active but maybe we can look into starting that back up and they can submit their findings to P&Z. The committee started to go through the community presented letters. Baty stated that traffic patterns near the school are a concern. He asked Nygaard if he felt the need for more parking for the school. Nygaard responded that they can squeeze 8-10 parking spaces by the kitchen entrance but parking up top will always be an issue. Lynch asked how many staff and teachers he has at the school. Nygaard responded he has 12 teachers, 10 classified plus 4. He stated that they also have considered handicap parking and that will be at least 4 plus 4 visitor parking spaces. He figures that the school needs to have 30 parking spaces available. Kacsh stated that regardless of the site selection for the new Public Safety Building parking on Second Street should be considered. Reggiani pointed out the concern with walking hazards to off site school trips to the new library, museum, discovery room, and city hall. He stated that there is a need to develop a safe route between Second and Main Street to include sidewalks and crosswalks. Bailer added that the crosswalks should be lighted. Hicks mentioned that there should be signs posted to remind drivers to stop for pedestrians. Reggiani reminded the committee that they also want to set up some sort of an alarm to warn when responders are coming and the large vehicles will be rolling out. Groff said the warning is a good idea to warn people to get out of the way. Baty cautioned that they do

not want to have constant flashing lights, as people will learn to ignore them. The warnings should be for emergencies only. Bailer said that the teachers and aides do a good job corralling the kids. It has mostly been the adults that do not pay attention. Hicks stated that the design allows for extra parking on Second Street as the Police and Fire Departments would be utilizing about 7 spots during the day. Baty pointed out that the Police Department has some inside parking as well. Bailer said he feels the building should be built only as big as needed and not make another large structure. He also stated he does not want the drive through apparatus bays as it would require more maintenance and it would be much less efficient to have two doors instead of one. It would also give more wall space for hanging things. **Reggiani** stated that the volunteers are used to using spotters for backing the trucks in. An easy trade off for the drive-thru would be to have a larger apron. Groff stated that a letter suggests an alternate site over by the ball field but suggested that a site that was once a landfill would not provide a suitable foundation for a Public Safety Building. The committee discussed a concern in Dick Shellhorns' letter about the blind corner between the High School and the Troopers office. The committee decided that this concern would not be mitigated by site selection but could be considered at P&Z. Groff addressed the recurring speeding concern of first responders. He stated that the responders are professionals, volunteers, and community members. Hicks added that if a volunteer is breaking the law then they should be reported. Call the Police or the Troopers. They are not to violate traffic laws when responding. Groff stated that the vandalism issue with the current Library/Museum location would be mitigated with any development to that site although it is a big problem now. Reggiani stated that the tsunami concern is important and research is currently being done to find out the answers to the questions. Bailer stated that it would not be a quick answer. Groff stated that there is a map but it is old and outdated. He added that there was a verbal number given from Home Land Security of 50 feet but it has not been put on paper yet. The committee reviewed the petition, deciding that it was considered but there are no specific concerns to be reviewed. Kacsh stated that the alley way is available for business owners to have their trucks access their businesses. He pointed out that a sharp turn would be difficult for the larger trucks. This could be mitigated by design. Robert Beedle stated that the output by Bidarki is a sharp/blind turn off the alley. He also asked if the fire trucks would ever need to get down the alleyway. Moe stated that there already is an issue with big box trucks coming out on Council Avenue. Baty suggested the alley be made one way. Reggiani stated that the alley issue should be addressed regardless of the site selection.

2. Summary of Design Mitigation Elements

The committee reviewed their list of site issues to update with concerns and mitigations. Lynch stated that there is a concern with the CRH site with the responders being cut off from the business district. Hicks said it is a concern, however it would have to be a big emergency and it would have to wipe out both the CRH and Lefevre. Groff stated he is worried about the rock wall coming down on the building. Bailer added that we do not know what is under the Library/Museum either. The committee discussed some of the concerns and their mitigations while updating the worksheet for each site.

Copper River Highway Location

Site Disadvantages or Concerns Design Mitigation Element(s)

Higher Site Development Costs (Est. \$2.3M - \$2.6M)	• None
Geotechnical Unknowns	 Consult with Adjacent Neighbor - Eagle Contracting. Utilize Standard Civil Engineering Practices.

Permanent Shadow (Human Factor)	 Outdoors – None Indoors – Provide Full-Spectrum Lighting
Potential Isolated in Earthquake/Tsunami Event	None
Civic Presence Disconnected from Downtown Area	None
Moss/Ice Building Deterioration	Wise Building Material ChoicesPreventative Maintenance Program
Increased Response Time From Station to Central Business District	• None
Public Traffic Uncertainty During Response Call	 Include Warning Light System to Alert Vehicle and Pedestrian Traffic.
Pedestrian Connectivity	 Include Sidewalks/Crosswalks from Downtown to CRH Location.
Frequent High Winds Parallel to CRH	 Orientate Apparatus Bay Perpendicular with CRH and Provide for Back-In Bays.

Library/Museum (Downtown) Location

Site Disadvantages or Concerns Design Mitigation Element(s)

Snow Movement Cost	 Include Snow Storage Location On-site to Minimize Snow Movement Costs
Traffic Congestion (pedestrian safety, vehicles) Proximity to School (young pedestrians)	 Route and Focus Public Safety Vehicle Traffic to First Street Modify Response Plan to Eliminate Response on 2nd and Adams Streets. Include Uninterrupted Sidewalks on Adams Street from 2nd to 1st Street for pedestrian safety.
Public Traffic Uncertainty During Response Call	Include Warning Light System to Alert Vehicle and Pedestrian Traffic.
Limited Future Expansion	 None Expected – 50yr Design Plan
Loss of Potential/Current Public Parking	 Include 22-Car Off-Street Parking Lot on 2nd Street Across from School District Office. Include 10-Car Off-Street Parking Lot on the Corner of 2nd and Adams Street. Allow Curbside Parking on Adams Street. Include 10-Car Off-Street Parking Lot for Emergency Responders.
Police Detention Proximity to School	 Include Sally Port and Standard Security Elements in Building Design
Disruptive Effect of Sirens to School	Condition Students to Emergency Services
Loss of Potential Tax Revenue	Convert Existing City Hall/Police/Fire Complex into Business and Retail Lots
Vicinity Noise/Air Pollution of Emergency Vehicles	Focus Airway and Sound Transmissions Toward 1 st Street - Orca Inlet

Site Dictates Back-in Apparatus Maneuvers	Include Large Apparatus Apron to Allow Off-Street Back-in Maneuvers
Lost Segment of Alleyway (redirect)	• Increase Size of Alleyway from 1 st Street to Existing Alleyway to Increase Maneuverability to Allow for Delivery Trucks with 53' Van.
Geotechnical Unknowns	 Recent Geotechnical Report Conducted Utilize Standard Civil Engineering Practices

Kacsh asked what are the committees next steps? Are we comfortable with the things going into the building? Bailer replied that the committee should revisit the design and space needs as whole group once the results come back from CH2MHill. Moe stated that the next step would be to look at a conceptual floor plan. Bailer added that the new building is a long way from its final design. Regardless of site, there is much more work to be put into design. Regaini asked for consensus from the committee to come back together in a couple weeks to review the results from CH2MHill. Kacsh stated that the site selection is beyond the scope of this committee and so should be passed back to Council and wanted to make it clear that no site has been selected for the Public Safety Building. Bailer stated that the committee has done a great job at driving the process to site selection. Kacsh added that they have taken great steps to finding the right location. Reggiani informed the committee that the City Council has a work session on this topic Wednesday night.

G. AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

Bill Gilbert, stated that he appreciates the hard work going on and enjoyed listening to the discussion. He said that the downtown site is limited and it is heavily used piece of Cordova. Parking and pedestrian issues have been discussed and he is glad they are being considered. He said it was good for him to be at the meeting tonight and that more information needs to be put out to discourage emotional rhetoric.

Mike Scott, Saddle Point, stated that he thinks it is kind of scary that this committee was put together to build a new building when there is another new building going up right now. He is concerned that it will eventually cost the citizens more money in the end. He said grant money may build the building but it will not maintain it.

Clay Koplin, said he appreciated the process of going through the concerns list. He stated that the tsunami issue needs to be defined and settled. An earthquake will cause more issue for our community than a Tsunami. He is concerned with parking on Main Street and that it may create issues with keeping the curbside parking cleared for truck maneuverability.

Jennifer Gibbins, stated that she appreciated walking through the pros and cons but it is not a very scientific process. She stated that to build a City building on the Library/Museum site would result in the loss of tax revenue. The community wants to maintain the retail corridor.

H. COMMITTEE COMMENTS

Baty stated that the pros and cons list was generated from input at the work session and the committee wanted to address the concerns. He stated that he appreciated the input.

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Hicks thanked the community for the input. He stated that the committee was tasked with design for the Public Safety Building. The committee is now getting more/better input and we need to make sure it fits the committee as a whole. In his experience, Cordova has a great Emergency Services team.

Bailer stated that the committee has not touched on time span. The current Library/Museum building will be here for at least 3 or 4 more years and will have to go away no matter what. He specified that the tsunami consideration is strictly for grant opportunities. CH2MHill will work out the truck drive in. the radio show was great and encouraged great comments. The committee has done a great job and has gotten many responses. He stated that if they took a vote today he still is not sure where he would like the new building to go.

Moe stated that the committee has gone above what was asked of them to do. There are ideas and concerns that have been presented throughout the process that will make Cordova a better place.

Groff stated that the volunteers feel attacked about their driving and wants the community to know that if there is an issue they need to report it.

Reggiani stated that he appreciates the comments and community input and hopes it does not stop.

I. ADJOURNMENT

M/Bailer S/Moe to adjourn the Public Safety Building Design Committee Meeting at 9:55 pm. Vote on motion: 7 yeas, 0 nays. Motion carried.

Approv	ved:
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