Representatives of the Mayor’s Blue Ribbon Committee on Building Re-Use met on Wednesday, September 13, 2006 at 7:30 am. in City Hall to prepare for the February 6, 2007 Listening Session on Public Use Criteria & Building Stewardship Policies and on re-use of the Lafayette School.

Present were Senator Martha Fuller Clark, City Councilors Chris Dwyer and Laura Pantelakos, Tom Heany and Richard Cyr; City Manager John P. Bohenko, Nancy Carmer, Economic Development Program Manager.

The group reviewed previous proposals and building audits on the Lafayette School as well as the informational packet working document for the upcoming listening session. Several modifications were suggested. Further amendments were made to the draft stewardship policy. The group also discussed which members of the committee will be presenting which topics at the listening session.

The tentative plan is to have Ms. Hurtt welcome the public, review the meeting logistics and goals of the committee. Ms. Shepard-Rabadam will present the stewardship principles and Mr. Bohenko will present past proposals for the Lafayette School and a brief description of the property. Depending on attendance at the listening session there may be only two or three breakout sessions. Accommodations will be made for those wishing to speak only to the public use criteria and stewardship policies. Ms. Hurtt will conclude the meeting with a wrap out.

It was resolved that the information packet document will be edited to incorporate the changes discussed and sent to the full Committee for final review. The goal is to have it available for the public on January 29th.

The need for a January 31st committee meeting was discussed. The consensus was that several members cannot attend that day and there may not be a need for the meeting as the presentation is set. However, a power point presentation needs to be developed before Feb 6th. The thought was that this can be handled via e-mail review without a meeting. Also, the presenting group will meet early on Feb 6th to rehearse the presentation prior to the public session. Ms. Hurtt will be consulted about the January 31st meeting.

Respectfully submitted,
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