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West University Place Public Engagement Opportunities for Phase II of Facilities Master Plan

WEST UNIVERSITY PLACE, TX – The City of West University Place has launched its public engagement plan for Phase II of its Facilities Master Plan. An online survey is available to solicit feedback from residents on the future use of the civic center area that is comprised of the Community Building/Senior Center, and Harris County Public Library. The survey is available on the City’s website through May 6. Following the survey deadline, a town hall meeting will be held on Tuesday, May 14, at 6:30 p.m. in the Community Building, 6104 Auden St.

The feedback received from the survey will play a critical role in determining the best way to utilize the greenspace, parking, and facility layout efficiently. The results of the survey will also aid in determining the size, shape, and orientation of the facilities to be built. Whether these are separate buildings or a combination of facilities under one roof has yet to be determined and will depend on feedback from the community.

In addition to the plans for the civic center, Phase II includes an assessment of the Recreation Center to determine how to optimize on existing space and align the facility with current and future needs. Implementation of this stage will begin when the Parks Maintenance division relocates to the new Public Works Facility upon completion of Phase I allowing the current space at the Recreation Center to be repurposed.

Mayor Susan Sample expressed enthusiasm about the launch of public engagement efforts stating, “Our city’s facilities play a central role in enhancing the quality of life for all residents. City Council has emphasized the importance of community involvement during this process to truly reflect the desires of our community.”

With some City facilities dating back to the 1940s and 1950s, City Council and staff want to ensure facilities are making optimal use of their space and are capable of meeting current and future demands prior to expending funds for updates. Factors such as the increasing cost of land, changes in public service practices (such as innovations in technology), and the risk of severe weather underscore the need for a guiding plan for public facilities.

The City Council approved the Facilities Master Plan at its June 27, 2022, City Council meeting, which identified the long-term sites for city facilities.

For more information about the Facilities Master Plan and to access the survey, please visit www.westutx.gov/fmp.



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