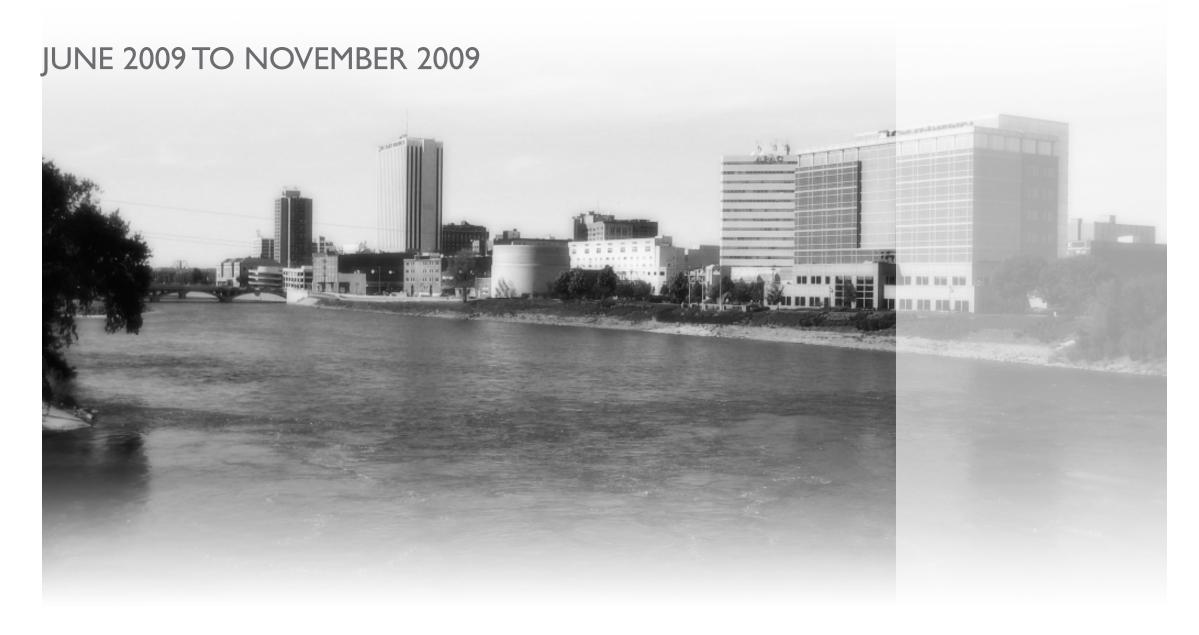
# CITY OF CEDAR RAPIDS COMMUNITY FACILITIES FINAL REPORT







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# INTRODUCTION & EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

OPN Architects, Inc. was retained by the City of Cedar Rapids in May of 2009 to manage a public participation process for community facilities damaged by the record breaking "Flood of 2008". Facilities included in the public process include: The Public Library, Public Works, Fleet Maintenance, Veterans Memorial Building/City Hall, Central Fire Station, Animal Control, the old U.S. Courthouse, Intermodal Transportation Center, co-location concepts, Community Safety Center and Neighborhood Centers. OPN's role included both process manager and planning advisor. In this capacity, OPN managed a three open house process to provide information and to gather input from the public. A steering committee created by participating jurisdictions provided project oversight.

The three open houses were organized in the following fashion:

Open House I – Define the opportunity for community facilities, present previously prepared data, and gather public input.

Open House 2 – Present viable options and gather public feedback regarding the options.

Open House 3 – Display recommended options for public feedback.

# **OPN Process Manager Role:**

Recommend and coordinate the process under the direction of the Steering Committee. Direct strategic communications plan and open house preparation.

### Responsibilities:

- Develop project needs statement
- Prepare process timeline
- Prepare strategic communication and public participation plan(s)
- Develop project goals
- Develop graphic standards for board content
- Prepare board plan(s) and implement
- Prepare feedback plan(s) and implement
- Review evaluation criteria, opportunity statement, process and goals based on feedback from open houses
- Develop and define financial model
- Prepare presentations to governing bodies

# **OPN Planning Advisor Role:**

Coordinate building design and planning options, including program requirements, construction estimates, and presentation of technical data.

As part of this role, coordination and collection of information from the various departments and facilities under study was essential. Meetings were held with the stakeholders of each facility, City departments, and Commissions to gather program information and establish guiding principles. These meetings were held throughout the entire Open House Process as milestones to ensure the qualitative criteria for the information being presented was of the best possible caliber and that the data was the most current. For reference, Meeting Minutes can be found in the appendices of this document.

### Responsibilities:

- Develop evaluation criteria.
- Review and incorporate data from previous studies.
- Identify facility options recommending those to include based on evaluation criteria.
- Work with department heads to confirm program requirements and site opportunities.
- Analyze options against evaluation criteria including capital cost, operating cost, customer service, sustainability, and other planning initiatives.
- Prepare community recommendations.

# OPEN HOUSE BOARD DEVELOPMENT

# **BOARD ORGANIZATION:**

The boards depicting information for event participants were designed and organized to facilitate the incremental consumption of information. The approach involved creating boards that were free of extraneous text coupled with clean graphic layouts to help the viewer not feel overwhelmed by the amount of information presented. Clear organization using prominent title blocks, color coding, and numeric groupings were implemented to help viewers make their way through the Open Houses as well as to coordinate topics with color-coded feedback cards.

Color coding used for the various groupings is as follows:

Welcome / Purpose Boards: RED
Sustainability Boards: YELLOW
Community Facilities Boards: BLUE
Next Time / Summary Boards: BROWN

Parks and Recreation Boards: GREEN (Not Produced by OPN)

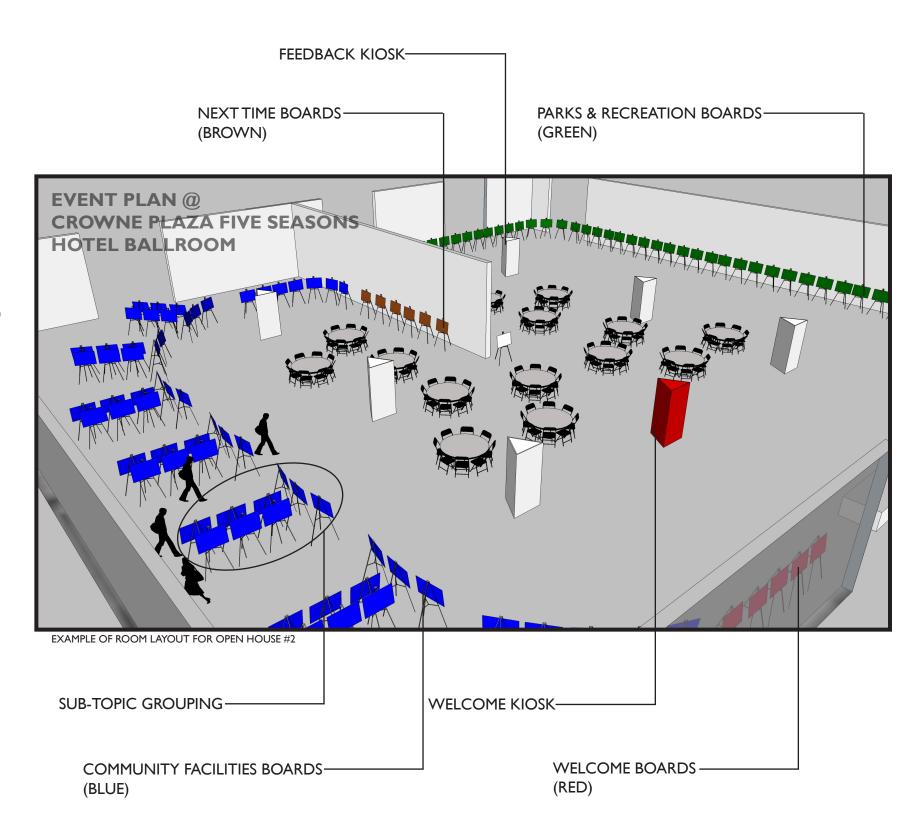
Identical color coding of boards was used throughout the entire Open House process to create a sense of continuity among topics and to enable participants to wayfind among the board series. Easels were also clustered into subgroups within the primary color coded sections to visually break down topical information further.

# **BOARD CHARACTERISTICS:**

Event participants were encouraged to view presented information informally and at their desired pace with the use of 24 inch by 36 inch boards set on easels.

Color coded title bars and numerical color-coded groupings of boards can be seen in the board series in this section of the final report document.

The image to the right depicts color coded sections with arrangements of easels into sub-topic groupings as seen in Open House #2.



# **OPEN HOUSE #1 STATISTICS**

### **OPEN HOUSE #1 - GENERAL INFORMATION:**

The first of three Cedar Rapids Open Houses was held to discuss City facility flood recovery and reconstruction. The event took place at the Crowne Plaza Five Seasons Hotel - Ballroom in downtown Cedar Rapids. One side of the ballroom featured possible options for rebuilding City facilities. The other side of the ballroom focused on the possible options for the Parks and Recreation Master Plan. The Open Houses were designed so that residents could attend anytime during the scheduled event. Residents were asked to examine all displays and provide feedback on cards and kiosks.

This Open House provided information to the public regarding the major City facilities being analyzed, evaluation criteria for possible solutions, and concepts for consideration as well as prepped viewers for the type of information they could expect at the next open house. Further supplemental information regarding ongoing City recovery efforts was made available for the public, such as the post flood planning chronology, principles of sustainability, and the outlining of goals.

### **OPEN HOUSE #1 INTENT:**

The intent of the first Open House was to engage the public in the decision making process, to garner the public's input regarding participation, and community facility information presented. The community's ongoing input gave City Council guidance in deciding whether to:

- 1.) Return to existing buildings as they were at the time of the flood.
- 2.) Return to existing buildings as they were at the time of the flood with upgrades.
- 3.) Consider new buildings, alternate locations, and the possibility of co-location.

Also, the flood recovery goals from the City Council helped to solidify the intent of the Open House public participation process:

To recover better and stronger than before

Engage the public in these long-term decisions that will define our community for generations to come

Use this challenge to improve how services are provided to citizens and decrease the cost of government.

# **DATE & TIME:**

June 23, 2009 held from 4:00 PM to 7:00 PM @ Crowne Plaza Five Seasons Hotel - Ballroom

# LOCATION:

Crowne Plaza Five Seasons Hotel - Ballroom 350 1st Ave NE, Cedar Rapids, IA 52401

### ATTENDANCE:

June 23, 2009 Attendance: 180 (General Public)

180 total people attended Open House #1 over the event period.

# **ONLINE FEEDBACK:**

Online feedback was collected June 24, 2009 through June 28, 2009.



# **OPEN HOUSE #2 STATISTICS**

### **OPEN HOUSE #2 - GENERAL INFORMATION:**

The second of three Cedar Rapids Open Houses featured a combination of two open houses in a single location. The additional day of public exhibition was done to ensure that community was given more time to attend the event during non-evening hours. One side of the ballroom featured possible options for rebuilding City facilities. The other side of the ballroom focused on the possible options for the Parks and Recreation Master Plan. The Open Houses were designed so that residents could attend anytime during the scheduled event. Residents were asked to examine all displays and provide feedback on cards and kiosks.

This Open House reflected the importance of public feedback, because a direct result of the public's participation was the inclusion of a 4th primary option for building recovery. This added option was called the "Reuse of Existing Buildings" option. Further, based on public feedback received from the first Open House, the second Open House presented information on 10 potential facility programs that answer immediate civic needs. 6 of these facility programs were presented with a range of options to consider for each:

City Services Center/Veteran's Memorial Building City Operations Center/Public Works Facilities Fleet Maintenance Animal Care and Control Central Fire Station Main Public Library

There were also 4 potential facilities concepts that were presented for public feedback:

Intermodal Transportation Facility Community Safety Centers Neighborhood Centers Former United States Courthouse

### **OPEN HOUSE #2 INTENT:**

The intent of the second Open House was to provide the City Council with possible scenarios for flood recovery and reconstruction. This Open House was meant to provide viable and plausible solutions so that extensive comparative analysis could be made between the options and the public's feedback. This data presented and collected enabled the City to narrow the options into more focused methodologies for consideration in the third Open House.

### **DATE & TIME:**

August 18, 2009 held from 4:00 PM to 7:00 PM@ Crowne Plaza Five Seasons Hotel - Ballroom(General Public)August 19, 2009 held from 11:30 AM to 1:30 PM@ Crowne Plaza Five Seasons Hotel - Ballroom(General Public)August 20, 2009 held from 11:30 AM to 1:30 PM@ Cedar Rapids City Hall(Staff)August 21, 2009 held from 3:00 PM to 5:00 PM© City of Cedar Rapids Public Works Department(Staff)

### LOCATIONS:

Crowne Plaza Five Seasons Hotel - Ballroom 350 1st Ave NE, Cedar Rapids, IA 52401

Cedar Rapids City Hall 3851 River Ridge Dr NE, Cedar Rapids, IA 52402

City of Cedar Rapids Public Works Department 1201 6th St SW, Cedar Rapids, IA 52404-5836

### ATTENDANCE:

August 18. 2009 Attendance: 283 (General Public)
August 19, 2009 Attendance: 308 (General Public)
August 20, 2009 Attendance: 76 (City Hall Staff)
August 21, 2009 Attendance: 81 (Public Works Staff)

598 members of the general public attended Open House #2 over the event period. 748 total people attended Open House #2 over the event period.

### ONLINE FEEDBACK:

Online feedback was collected August 20, 2009 through August 28, 2009.



# **OPEN HOUSE #3 STATISTICS**

### **OPEN HOUSE #3 - GENERAL INFORMATION:**

This third and final set of Cedar Rapids Open Houses once again featured a combination of two open houses in a single location. One side of the ballroom featured recommended options for rebuilding City facilities. The other side of the ballroom focused on the recommended options for the Parks and Recreation Master Plan. The open houses were designed so that residents could attend anytime during the scheduled event. Residents were asked to examine all displays and provide feedback on cards and kiosks.

Cedar Rapids Community Facilities and Parks & Recreation Open House #3 was a two day event where the community could gather information regarding three "Clear Path Projects" and possible scenarios depicting the reconstruction of City Services and City Operations.

The "Clear Path Projects" recommended building new facilities to replace the buildings destroyed in the June 2008 Flood because of their unique building programs, structural needs, and critical functions. These recommended "Clear Path Projects" were Animal Care & Control, Central Fire Station, and Main Public Library.

The scenarios presented for City Services included reusing multiple existing buildings or constructing a new "one stop" building or colocation.

The scenarios presented for City Operations included reusing the existing buildings and site but building for growth and current needs. One scenario presented depicted how this could be done through phased construction and installment funding. A second scenario depicts how this could be done through new construction and repairs made to the existing facility though one-time funding.

### **OPEN HOUSE #3 INTENT:**

The intent of the third Open House was to provide the City Council with the critical information needed to make a decision on how to reconstruct City facilities damaged and/or destroyed by the June 2008 Flood as well as to garner the community's input on the decision making process.

### **DATE & TIME:**

November 17, 2009 held from 4:00 PM to 7:00 PM @ Crowne Plaza Five Seasons Hotel - Ballroom November 18, 2009 held from 11:30 AM to 1:30 PM @ Crowne Plaza Five Seasons Hotel - Ballroom

# LOCATION:

Crowne Plaza Five Seasons Hotel - Ballroom 350 1st Ave NE, Cedar Rapids, IA 52401

### ATTENDANCE:

November 17. 2009 Attendance: 180 (General Public) November 18, 2009 Attendance: 112 (General Public)

292 total people attended Open House #3 over the event period.

# **ONLINE FEEDBACK:**

Online feedback was collected November 23, 2009 through December 4, 2009.



# CULTIVATING FEEDBACK

### **FOCUSING FEEDBACK:**

Critical to the public participation process was the community feedback. This information collected from members of the community had the ability to inform the City Council, so that elected officials were empowered with the knowledge to make the best decision possible for the City of Cedar Rapids. The Open House Process was also used as a vehicle to help inform the public. The City's Open House Process provided an open forum for the public to discuss, recommend, and learn about the City's post-flood reconstruction efforts. Consequently, this was the focus for determining the direction of feedback collection. The primary goal behind the collection of feedback was not to ask members of the community to vote for options, but rather glean why an individual favored a particular way to solve these public problems. Rationale, process, and purpose were the contributing factors to creating informative community feedback, and it was these elements that crafted the manner in which feedback collection was carried out.

# **GATHERING FEEDBACK:**

Community feedback was collected in written form on feedback cards disseminated to all Open House event participants as well as collected via internet from the City's flood recovery web site, www.corridorrecovery.org. Questions asked were designed to be open ended to illicit the rationale behind people's thoughts. The questions on the feedback cards were neutral in presentation and aimed at allowing for any possible response with regard to the topic highlighted at the top of each feedback card. Feedback cards, completed by event-goers, were placed into kiosks at the Open House Event for analysis and were compiled alongside the downloaded electronic comment cards. The kiosks built for the Open Houses were designed to be tools that orient event-goers via the color coding at the top. Further, the 3-sided kiosks allowed for a centralized location for feedback card pick-up, completed feedback card return via a slot in the kiosk, and for public display of comments via a newsprint paper reel. Most adults did not use the newsprint paper reel, but children at the Open Houses used it to draw and write on. Finally, all feedback cards and newsprint rolls were then digitally scanned so that they existed in an electronic and hard copy version. The electronic version of all feedback collection can be found at www.corridorrecovery.org.

### **ANALYZING FEEDBACK:**

Feedback was analyzed by teams of 3 to 4 people who read, categorized, and cataloged each comment card. After the group had completed the initial read-through, feedback cards were divided to categorize the information. These initial groups of comments were large in number, however they were reduced and refined as the categories coalesced. After comment card categorization was completed, the feedback cards were read again to ensure the appropriateness of the card's placement by the entire team. Cards are then totaled, summarized into a report, and scanned for reference. Themes expressed in the varying card categories were presented to the City as well as the number of cards per category as a means of highlighting the level of public interest/participation.





# OPEN HOUSE #1 FEEDBACK SUMMARY

### **EVENT SUMMARY:**

Open House #1 was primarily an informative presentation to the general public regarding the City's vision for flood recovery and to introduce the 1st tier of facilities which the City was considering for reconstruction/recovery. This event also outlined the possible scenarios to general public for flood recovery and to reiterate the work done to date.

Responses to the event itself were generally very positive. Participants seemed to be appreciative of the opportunity to respond to information. Some were confused by the format, but most adapted quickly to it. Feedback was primarily written during the event, with only a handful of people providing online feedback. Informal feedback from participants is not a factor in this summary.

In all areas there was a consistent thread of comments regarding not building in the 100 or 500 year flood plain. Others wished to reoccupy the buildings in lieu of possible future flooding. This expected outcome illustrated a consistently broad spectrum of needs and levels of understanding of the underlying issues to recovery. It also fit well with the planned phasing of the Open Houses and the level of information planned for each.

Presented options for flood recovery were:

- 1. Return to existing buildings as they were at the time of the flood.
- 2. Return to existing buildings as they were at the time of the flood, with upgrades.
- 3. Consider new buildings, alternate locations, and the possibility of co-location.

### PRIMARY FEEDBACK THEMES:

- 1. Protect or relocate vital City services outside the Cedar River flood plain.
- 2. Create multiple options for Community Facilities as a component of a renewed and vibrant downtown.
- 3. Social sustainability (livability/walkability) should be a priority in future option considerations.
- 4. Develop options with accessible and centralized services, and plentiful free parking.
- 5. Demonstrate fiscal responsibility present financial data in future options considerations.

Further, respondents at this event were asking for more information and data on which to comment. Nearly 1 in 5 members of the public asked for more information on community facilities.

# **QUESTIONS ASKED:**

# CITY VISION

What are your comments regarding how sustainability impacts the design of city buildings?

# MAJOR BUILDINGS

What are your needs from city facilities and buildings?

What is important to you regarding the future use of these buildings?

### BUILDING OPTIONS

What is important to you regarding new building options?

# PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

What comments do you have regarding today's event?

### EVALUATION CRITERIA

What changes might you make to the evaluation criteria?









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# OPEN HOUSE #1 FEEDBACK

# **FEEDBACK NARRATIVE:**

# **SECONDARY THEMES:**

### **CITY VISION CITY VISION**

With regard to the City Vision feedback, people were generally supportive of the sustainability aspects of future City planning. Comments affirming the concepts of Social Sustainability coupled with Energy Use/Life Cycle Cost/Minimized Operational & Maintenance Costs yielded the highest participation rates. Clearly respondents understand the link between strong social criteria and sustainable energy/cost/ economic practices.

COMMENTS RETURNED 49 PARTICIPATION % 24.38%

HEMES	# of RESPONSES	% of RESPONSES
Social Sustainability	9	18.00%
Energy Use/Life Cycle Cost/Minimized O+M Costs	10	20.00%
Government Policy	- 1	2.00%
General Supportive Comments	9	18.00%
Supportive but Flood Concern	3	6.00%
Build For Future	3	6.00%
Rebuild it but Better	3	6.00%
Not in Flood Plain	2	4.00%
What about Flood Control + Rebuild Time	- 1	2.00%
Rebuild It	3	6.00%
Westdale	2	4.00%
Stop Wasting Time	I	2.00%
Other	3	6.00%

# MAJOR BUILDINGS

Accessibility and convenience were the primary components of the general public's needs from City facilities and buildings. The majority of respondents expressed a desire for a "one-stop-shop" approach to customer service facing elements for City buildings. With regard to accessibility, people wished for the buildings to be accessible, walkable or near to transportation infrastructure, and be centrally located.

# MAJOR BUILDINGS

WHAT ARE YOUR NEEDS FROM CITY FACILITIES AND BUILDINGS?

COMMENTS RETURNED 28.86% PARTICIPATION %

HEMES	# of RESPONSES	% of RESPONSES
One-Stop-Shop	12	20.69%
Accessibility	8	13.79%
Walkable/Accessible Infrastructure	5	8.62%
Centrally Located	5	8.62%
Green Square Development	2	3.45%
Functions/Operations	3	5.17%
Triple Bottom Line	2	3.45%
Quality of Life/Social/Community	4	6.90%
Contextually Sensitve & Sustainable	3	5.17%
No Tax Increase/Fiscal Responsibility	2	3.45%
Not in Flood Plain	2	3.45%
Animal Control	3	5.17%
Library	7	12.07%
Learning Environment/Program	4	57.14%
Downtown Location (out of flood plain)	3	42.86%









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# OPEN HOUSE #1 FEEDBACK

# **FEEDBACK NARRATIVE:**

# **SECONDARY THEMES:**

**COMMENTS RETURNED** 

Don't Use for Public Facilities/Private Use

Use if possible with Flood Protection

PARTICIPATION %

Preserve Historic

MAJOR BUILDINGS

**BUILDINGS?** 

THEMES

Paramount

Use ASAP

Rebuild As Is

Tear Down

Other

Rebuild with Upgrades

To Support Downtown Fiscal Responsibility

Efficient Use/Lifecycle Cost Flexible for Next Generation

Use or Repurpose

# MAJOR BUILDINGS

20% of respondents expressed a desire for a "one-stop-shop" for City Services, and nearly 14% of respondents stated the need for accessible structures. There is clear need to ensure that City Services are convenient, centrally located, and be cost effective. As a whole, the comments were interpreted as favoring an improved sense of community with a clear focus on sustainability and quality of life issues. In short, people were anxious for the results of this work to restore downtown's vibrancy and sense of community expressed through its buildings.

Roughly a quarter of respondents supported a return to prior facilities if they could be flood-proofed, improved, and made more sustainable, efficient, and cost-effective.

# **BUILDING OPTIONS**

With regard to building options, the Library and the Animal Care and Control Center received the greatest support for the construction of new facilities. The City Services/Veteran's Memorial Building component yielded a wide array of comments ranging from rebuilding it as it was prior to the flood to moving City Services elsewhere downtown. Again, future flood concerns were also a concern of respondents.

# BUILDING OPTIONS

Out of Flood Plain

COMMENTS RETURNED 74 PARTICIPATION % 36.82%

HEMES	# of RESPONSES	% of RESPONSES
Rebuild It	2	2.70%
Rebuild It with Sustainable Upgrades	2	2.70%
Centrally Located Downtown	4	5.41%
Green Square Area Development	2	2.70%
One-Stop-Shop	4	5.41%
Functionality and Efficient	2	2.70%
Accessibility: Location, Transportation, Parking	3	4.05%
Walkable/Accessible Infrastructure (sidewalks, etc.)	2	2.70%
New Out of Flood Plain	5	6.76%
Triple Bottom Line	5	6.76%
Social Sustainability	4	5.41%
No New Taxes	3	4.05%
Veterans Memorial Iconic Heritage	4	5.41%
Library	18	24.32%
Keep	1	5.56%
Program	4	22.22%
New Location Proposals	10	55.56%
Green Square Park	2	20.00%
Agree with Library's Proposed Zone	7	70.00%
Other Locations	2	20.00%
Re-Use Idea	2	11.11%
Animal Control Center	- 11	14.86%
Centrally-Located	- 1	9.09%
Func. & Humane Environ. for Humans & Animals	10	90.91%
Architectural Heritage	2	2.70%
Other	- 1	1.35%

WHAT'S IMPORTANT TO YOU REGARDING THE FUTURE USE OF EXISTING

RESPONSES

RESPONSES

4.88%

4.88%

12.20%

7.32%

9.76%

9.76%

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4.88%

2.44%

2.44%

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20.40%

# **EVENT PHOTOS:**







 FEEDBACK RESPONSE TOTALS & PARTICIPATION PERCENTAGES ARE CALCULATED FROM ALL COMMENTS RECEIVED OVER THE ENTIRE OPEN HOUSE #1 EVENT PERIOD.

# OPEN HOUSE #1 FEEDBACK

# **FEEDBACK NARRATIVE:**

# **SECONDARY THEMES:**

# **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

In general, the participants felt that the event itself was well-structured and helpful for their considerations. Over 36% of those responding had very positive comments on content, structure, and method. About 10% felt "information overload" from the event, but another 8% felt exactly the opposite, expressing a desire for more details, especially as they pertain to cost and schedule. The planned structure for the second Open House augmented the information presented. The approach taken whereby starting first with basic information and building to more detail appeared to strike the right balance.

# PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

COMMENTS RETURNED 36 PARTICIPATION % 17.91%

# of RESPONSES	% of RESPONSES
I I	2.78%
2	5.56%
5	13.89%
13	36.11%
1	2.78%
4	11.11%
1	2.78%
1	2.78%
2	5.56%
3	8.33%
2	5.56%
1	2.78%
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# **EVALUATION CRITERIA**

Participation in this area was lower in comparison with the other informational topics. Comments were equally split between avoiding the flood plain, positive comments about the consultants involved, and comments of "reuse existing buildings now". The responses to the Evaluation Criteria were positive responses.

# **EVALUATION CRITERIA**

COMMENTS RETURNED 18 PARTICIPATION % 8.96%

THEMES	# of RESPONSES	% of RESPONSES
Avoid Floodplain	3	16.67%
More Information	ı	5.56%
Feedback on Consultants	3	16.67%
Action Now	2	11.11%
Reuse Buildings	2	11.11%
Feedback on Evaluation Criteria	5	27.78%
Triple Bottom Line	3	60.00%
Unclear	1	20.00%
None	I	20.00%
Other	2	11.11%









FEEDBACK RESPONSE TOTALS & PARTICIPATION PERCENTAGES ARE CALCULATED FROM ALL COMMENTS RECEIVED OVER THE ENTIRE OPEN HOUSE #1 EVENT PERIOD.

# **OPEN HOUSE #2 FEEDBACK SUMMARY**

# **EVENT SUMMARY:**

Open House #2 asked for input on the options presented for the Community Facilities under consideration. The options shown were as follows:

- 1. Return to existing buildings as they were at the time of the flood.
- 2. Return to existing buildings as they were at the time of the flood, with upgrades to improve sustainability and functionality.
- 3. Consider new buildings, alternate locations, and the possibility of co-location of programs and services.
- 4. Consider utilizing another existing building.

This Open House also presented initial financial data for review. This financial data was an estimate based on preliminary and operational assumptions. The numbers shown also represent maximum costs and should be viewed toward the high end of the cost spectrum.

The University of Iowa, as a third party analyst, had examined OPN's financial model and concluded the model and numbers to be sound.

Responses to the event itself were generally positive, but many expressed a sense of being overwhelmed by the amount of information presented. Further, people also seemed to understand how complex and intertwined the issues were with regard to building back.

# **PRIMARY FEEDBACK THEMES:**

- 1. Concern about future flooding still remains high.
- 2. Overall feedback regarding the event was highly supportive and people began to understand the complexity of the issues.
- The two options most favored by the public were returning to existing buildings with code upgrades and flood mitigation as well as building new.

# **QUESTIONS ASKED:**

- VETERAN'S MEMORIAL/CITY SERVICES

  Please share your thoughts...
- PUBLIC WORKS/CITY OPERATIONS
  Please share your thoughts...
- MAIN PUBLIC LIBRARY
  - Please share your thoughts...
- □ FLEET MAINTENANCE
  - Please share your thoughts...
- ANIMAL CARE AND CONTROL
  - Please share your thoughts...
- CENTRAL FIRE STATION
  - Please share your thoughts...
- FORMER U.S. COURTHOUSE
  - Please share your thoughts...
- NEIGHBORHOOD CENTERS
  - Please share your thoughts...
- INTERMODAL TRANSIT FACILITY
  - Please share your thoughts...
- □ COMMUNITY SAFETY CENTER
  - Please share your thoughts...
- EVENT FEEDBACK
  - Please share your comments on the event overall.









# OPEN HOUSE #2 FEEDBACK

# **FEEDBACK NARRATIVE:**

# **SECONDARY THEMES:**

# **EVENT FEEDBACK**

With regard to the general feedback received, many respondents offered supportive comments and were appreciative of the chance to give feedback.

Overall, there was a greater understanding of the complexity of the issues and the decisions that have to be made.

There was still a small, vocal minority who still wanted Westdale Mall to be evaluated for further use.

# **EVENT FEEDBACK**

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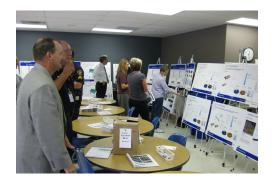
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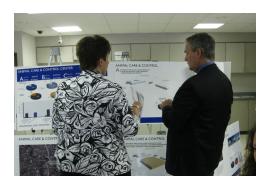
#2

#3 #4 #4 #4 COMMENTS RETURNED 50 PARTICIPATION % 5.88%

THEMES	# of RESPONSES	% of RESPONSES
General Supportive Comments	26	52.00%
Generally Supportive but Overwhelmed by Amount of Info	5	10.00%
Negative Comments	5	10.00%
Too Much Information to Properly Evaluate	5	10.00%
Request Supplemental Information (digital format, handouts)	2	4.00%
This Process is Overdue	2	4.00%
Appreciate City Seeking Public Input	2	4.00%
Want More Financial Information	- 1	2.00%
Evaluation Criteria Critique	- 1	2.00%
Keep Food Affected Businesses in Cedar Rapids	1	2.009









<sup>•</sup> FEEDBACK RESPONSE TOTALS & PARTICIPATION PERCENTAGES ARE CALCULATED FROM ALL COMMENTS RECEIVED OVER THE ENTIRE OPEN HOUSE #2 EVENT PERIOD.

# OPEN HOUSE #2 FEEDBACK

# **FEEDBACK NARRATIVE:**

# **SECONDARY THEMES:**

# **VETERAN'S MEMORIAL/CITY SERVICES**

None of the options presented received a majority of votes, but Option C - (New Building with Program Growth at an Undetermined, Centrally Located Site) was preferred.

Concern about future flooding in this building remains quite high as City Services are a vital function to the community and Veteran's Memorial Building is located on an island.

Respondents are torn between the perceived loss of a city landmark versus the practical considerations and flood concerns.

# **VETERAN'S MEMORIAL/CITY SERVICES**

COMMENTS RETURNED 150
PARTICIPATION % 17.65%
General Public 110 73.33%
City Hall Staff 22 14.67%
Public Works Staff 18 12.00%

THEMES		# of RESPONSES	
Option A	A - Total	2	1.33%
Option A		2	1.33%
	General Public	2	
	City Hall Staff	0	
	Public Works Staff	0	
Option B	s - Total	22	14.67%
Option B		15	10.00%
	General Public	14	
	City Hall Staff	0	
	Public Works Staff	I	
Option B	with Overflow to Courthouse	7	4.67%
	General Public	5	
	City Hall Staff	0	
	Public Works Staff	2	
Option A	or B - Total	4	2.67%
Option A/	B: Re-Use Building/Get Back ASAP/Taxpayers Concerns	4	2.67%
	General Public	4	
	City Hall Staff	0	
	Public Works Staff	0	
Option C	- Total	56	37.33%
Option C		32	21.33%
	General Public	18	
	City Hall Staff	9	
	Public Works Staff	5	
Option C	Option C with Other Options for Veteran's Memorial		4.67%
	General Public	7	
	City Hall Staff	0	
	Public Works Staff	0	

THEMES	# of RESPONSES	% of RESPONSE
Option C - Central Location	- 11	7.33%
General Public	9	
City Hall Staff	2	
Public Works Staff	0	
Option C - Stay at Temp. Location until City Can Afford New Bo	uildi 2	1.33%
General Public	2	
City Hall Staff	0	
Public Works Staff	0	
Option C - May's Island Becomes Park Area	4	2.679
General Public	2	
City Hall Staff	0	
Public Works Staff	2	
Option D - Total	17	11.339
Option D	10	6.679
General Public	5	
City Hall Staff	- 1	
Public Works Staff	4	
Option D with Other Options for Veteran's Memorial	7	4.67%
General Public	7	
City Hall Staff	0	
Public Works Staff	0	
Option C or D - Total		7.339
Option C/D - Do Not Return to May's Island	8	5.33%
General Public	4	
City Hall Staff	3	
Public Works Staff	I	
Option C/D - Gained Efficiencies through Co-Location	3	2.009
General Public	2	
City Hall Staff	1	
Public Works Staff	0	
Other Concerns/ Topics/Themes	38	25.33%
Other Options for Veteran's Memorial	9	6.009
Public	8	
City Hall Staff	0	
Public Works Staff	1	

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# OPEN HOUSE #2 FEEDBACK

# **FEEDBACK NARRATIVE:**

# **SECONDARY THEMES:**

# VETERAN'S MEMORIAL/CITY SERVICES cont'd

None of the options presented received a majority of votes, but Option C - (New Building with Program Growth at an Undetermined, Centrally Located Site) was preferred.

Concern about future flooding in this building remains quite high as City Services are a vital function to the community and Veteran's Memorial Building is located on an island.

Respondents are torn between the perceived loss of a city landmark versus the practical considerations and flood concerns.

# VETERAN'S MEMORIAL/CITY SERVICES cont'd

 COMMENTS RETURNED
 150

 PARTICIPATION %
 17.65%

 General Public
 110
 73.33%

 City Hall Staff
 22
 14.67%

 Public Works Staff
 18
 12.00%

THEMES	# of RESPONSES	% of RESPONSES
Historic Value of Veteran's Memorial - Building	5	3.33%
Public	5	
City Hall Staff	0	
Public Works Staff	0	
Evaluation Concerns	4	2.67%
General Public	2	
City Hall Staff	1	
Public Works Staff	- 1	
More Information Requested	4	2.67%
General Public	2	
City Hall Staff	2	
Public Works Staff	0	
General Supportive Comments	3	2.00%
General Public	3	
City Hall Staff	0	
Public Works Staff	0	
Historic Value of Veteran's Memorial - Grant Wood Windo	ow 2	1.33%
Public	2	
City Hall Staff	0	
Public Works Staff	0	
General Parking Concerns	2	1.33%
General Public	0	
City Hall Staff	2	
Public Works Staff	0	
Flood Mitigation Concerns	2	1.33%
General Public	2	
City Hall Staff	0	
Public Works Staff	0	
General Negative Statements	2	1.33%
General Public		1.5575
City Hall Staff	0	
Public Works Staff	I	
Sustainable/Good Design Required	2	1.33%
General Public	1	1.55/6
City Hall Staff	<u> </u>	
Public Works Staff	0	

THEMES	3	# of RESPONSES	% of RESPONSES
Concern	s about Westdale	I	0.67%
	General Public	I	
	City Hall Staff	0	
	Public Works Staff	0	
No Gain	s through Co-Location	I	0.67%
	General Public	Į.	
	City Hall Staff	0	
	Public Works Staff	0	
Tear Do	wn Veteran's Memorial	I	0.67%
	Public	ļ	
	City Hall Staff	0	
	Public Works Staff	0	

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# PEN HOUSE

# OPEN HOUSE #2 FEEDBACK

# **FEEDBACK NARRATIVE:**

# **SECONDARY THEMES:**

COMMENTS RETURNED

PARTICIPATION %
General Public

# PUBLIC WORKS/CITY OPERATIONS

Option B and Option C were equally preferred.

Option B is to:

Return to Pre-Flood Conditions with Flood Mitigation, Code Upgrades, Extensive Mechanical/Functional Updates, with Program Growth

Option C is a:

New Building with Program Growth at an Undetermined Site

The current site and property was preferred regardless of choosing Option B or C.

A proposed continued use of the Fleck Building was a reoccurring theme

# PUBLIC WORKS/CITY OPERATIONS

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52.31%

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ity Hall S	taff 08 12.31%		
ıblic Wor	rks Staff 23 35.38%		
THEMES		# of RESPONSES	% of RESPONSE
Option A	A - Total	5	7.69%
Option A		5	
	General Public	2	
	City Hall Staff	3	
	Public Works Staff	0	
Option E	3 - Total	20	30.77%
Option B		18	27.69%
	General Public	15	
Rank #1	City Hall Staff	1	
	Public Works Staff	2	
Option B	with Fleet	2	3.08%
	General Public	0	
	City Hall Staff	1	
	Public Works Staff	Į.	
Ontion (	N on P. Total	3	4./29
Option A	A or B - Total	3	
	General Public	3	
	City Hall Staff	0	
	Public Works Staff	0	
Ontion (	C - Total	18	27.69%
	- Existing Site	5	
	General Public	3	
	City Hall Staff	1	
	Public Works Staff	I	
Option C	- New Site	12	18.46%
	General Public	6	
Rank #2	City Hall Staff	1	
	Public Works Staff	5	
Option C	- with Sustainability	I	1.54%
	General Public	I	
	City Hall Staff	0	
	Public Works Staff	0	
Option I	B or C - Total	ı	1.54%
Option B		I	
-	General Public	0	
	City Hall Staff	0	
i	B 11: 14/ 1 6 %		

Public Works Staff

THEMES	# of RESPONSES	% of RESPONSE
Other Concerns/ Topics/Themes	18	27.69%
Signal Shop @ Fleck Building	4	6.15%
General Public	0	
City Hall Staff	0	
Public Works Staff	4	
Westdale	3	4.62%
General Public	I	
City Hall Staff	0	
Public Works Staff	2	
Major Concerns About Existing Buildings	3	4.62%
General Public	0	
City Hall Staff	0	
Public Works Staff	3	
Additional Questions	3	4.62%
General Public	ı	
City Hall Staff	ı	
Public Works Staff	I	
Forestry or Sewer in Central Fire		1.54%
General Public	0	
City Hall Staff	0	
Public Works Staff	I	
Use Other Existing Building		1.54%
General Public		
City Hall Staff	0	
Public Works Staff	0	
Strong Dislike of Westdale		1.54%
General Public	0	
City Hall Staff	0	
Public Works Staff	I	
Recycling Return to Public Works		1.54%
General Public	0	
City Hall Staff	0	
Public Works Staff	I	
Use Satellite Buildings for Upgrades		1.54%
General Public	ı	
City Hall Staff	0	
Public Works Staff	0	

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# OPEN HOUSE #2 FEEDBACK

# **FEEDBACK NARRATIVE:**

# **SECONDARY THEMES:**

### FLEET MAINTENANCE

The overwhelming majority preferred to see Fleet Maintenance consolidated into a single location.

Option C (New Building, Contains Co-location with Growth Needs - New Building Campus on Public Works Site) was favored, although no option had a majority.

Option D (Re-purpose an Existing Building/Site with Co-Location Concept, Including Growth - Remodel Existing Buildings and Additions on Public Works Site) was the second most preferred option.

A single location would allow for efficiencies and cross training.

# FLEET MAINTENANCE

COMMENTS RETURNED 44
PARTICIPATION % 05.18%
General Public 26 59.09%
City Hall Staff 07 15.91%
Public Works Staff 11 05.18%

THEMES		# of RESPONSES	% of RESPONSE
Option A	A - Total	3	6.82%
Option A		3	6.82%
	General Public	I	
	City Hall Staff	0	
	Public Works Staff	2	
Option I	3 - Total	3	6.82%
Option B		3	6.82%
	General Public	2	
	City Hall Staff	1	
	Public Works Staff	0	
Option (	C - Total	18	40.91%
Option C		15	34.09%
	General Public	9	
Rank #1	City Hall Staff	2	
	Public Works Staff	4	
Move Ou	t of 500-Year Flood Plain		2.27%
	General Public	I	
	City Hall Staff	0	
	Public Works Staff	0	
Option C	- With Possible Location	1	2.27%
	General Public	1	
	City Hall Staff	0	
	Public Works Staff	0	
Option C	- Public Works Site	1	2.27%
	General Public	1	
	City Hall Staff	0	
	Public Works Staff	0	

THEMES	;	# of RESPONSES	% of RESPONSES
Option I	O - Total	7	15.91%
Option D	1	7	15.91%
	General Public	4	
	City Hall Staff	1	
	Public Works Staff	2	
Option (	C or D - Total	10	22.73%
Option C	or D - Need to Co-Locate	10	22.73%
	General Public	5	
Rank #2	City Hall Staff	3	
	Public Works Staff	2	
Other C	oncerns/ Topics/Themes	3	6.82%
Technolo	gy Evolution & Effects on Fleet Maint.	I	2.27%
	General Public	1	
	City Hall Staff	0	
	Public Works Staff	0	
Policy Co	ncerns	1	2.27%
	General Public	0	
	City Hall Staff	0	
	Public Works Staff	I	
Westdale	Site	1	2.27%
	General Public	I	
	City Hall Staff	0	
	Public Works Staff	0	

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# **OPEN HOUSE #2 FEEDBACK**

# **FEEDBACK NARRATIVE:**

# **SECONDARY THEMES:**

# ANIMAL CARE AND CONTROL

An overwhelming majority of respondents favored building a new facility and co-locating with Kirkwood Community College.

Respondents were pro Kirkwood involvement for the shared resources potential and educational/training opportunities provided by such a partnership.

People would like to see a facility that is healthy for both employees and animals.

# ANIMAL CARE AND CONTROL

COMMENTS RETURNED 91
PARTICIPATION % 10.71%
General Public 71 78.02%
City Hall Staff 09 09.89%
Public Works Staff 11 12.09%

THEMES	5	# of RESPONSES	
Option A	A - Total	I	1.10%
Option A	with Satellite Downtown	1	1.10%
	General Public	Ţ	
	City Hall Staff	0	
	Public Works Staff	0	
Option (	C - Total	68	74.73%
Option C	- Kirkwood Site	66	72.53%
	General Public	49	
Rank #1	City Hall Staff	7	
	Public Works Staff	10	
Option C	- Kirkwood Site + Dog Park	2	2.20%
	General Public	2	
	City Hall Staff	0	
	Public Works Staff	0	
Option I	D - Total	8	8.79%
Option D	)	8	8.79%
	General Public	8	
Rank #2	City Hall Staff	0	
	Public Works Staff	0	
Option (	C or D - Total	5	5.49%
Option C	or D	4	4.40%
	General Public	3	
	City Hall Staff	0	
	Public Works Staff		

THEMES		# of RESPONSES	% of RESPONSES
Other Concerns/ Topi	cs/Themes	10	10.99%
New Facility on Higher G	round	4	4.40%
General Public		3	
City Hall Staff		I	
Public Works	Staff	0	
Consolidate with Humane	Society	I	1.10%
General Public		l l	
City Hall Staff		0	
Public Works	Staff	0	
Increase Services Provide	d	I	1.10%
General Public		l l	
City Hall Staff		0	
Public Works	Staff	0	
General Comments		ı	1.10%
General Public		l l	
City Hall Staff		0	
Public Works	Staff	0	
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Bring facility into City + S			1.10%
General Public	:	1	
City Hall Staff	• "	0	
Public Works	Staff	0	
No New Buildings		I	1.10%
General Public		0	
City Hall Staff		I	
Public Works	Staff	0	
Flood Insurance Question		I	1.10%
General Public		I	
City Hall Staff		0	
Public Works	Staff	0	

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# PEN HOUSE

# OPEN HOUSE #2 FEEDBACK

# **FEEDBACK NARRATIVE:**

# **SECONDARY THEMES:**

# **CENTRAL FIRE STATION**

Respondents commented and expressed a desire to defer to the recommendations of the Cedar Rapids Fire Department and their best practices criteria.

Respondents also expressed that the Central Fire Station offers a critical and vital service to the community that should never be incapacitated during emergency situations.

A majority of respondents favored building a new building with program growth at yet to be determined site.

# **CENTRAL FIRE STATION**

COMMENTS RETURNED

DIE TTOI	ks Staff 07 08.24%		
THEMES		# of RESPONSES	RES
Option A	A - Total	4	
Option A		4	
	General Public	3	
	City Hall Staff	0	
	Public Works Staff	1	
	3 - Total	19	2
Option B		19	- 1
	General Public	16	
1	City Hall Staff	2	
	Public Works Staff	I	
	C - Total	46	(
Option C		29	4
L	General Public	23	
Rank #1	City Hall Staff	1	,
	Public Works Staff	5	
Option C	- Stay Out of Flood Plain	8	
	General Public	7	
	City Hall Staff	I	
	City Hall Staff Public Works Staff		
Option C	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	I	
Option C	Public Works Staff	0	
Option C	Public Works Staff with Proposed Locations	5	
Option C	Public Works Staff with Proposed Locations General Public	5	
	Public Works Staff  with Proposed Locations  General Public  City Hall Staff  Public Works Staff  - Concerns with Program Size/Co-Location	5 5 0 0	
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	Public Works Staff with Proposed Locations General Public City Hall Staff Public Works Staff  - Concerns with Program Size/Co-Location General Public	5 5 0 0 0	
Option C	Public Works Staff with Proposed Locations General Public City Hall Staff Public Works Staff  - Concerns with Program Size/Co-Location General Public City Hall Staff	5 5 0 0 0 0 3 3	
Option C	Public Works Staff  with Proposed Locations  General Public  City Hall Staff  Public Works Staff  - Concerns with Program Size/Co-Location  General Public  City Hall Staff  Public Works Staff  - Central Location  General Public	5 5 0 0 0 3 3 3 0 0	
Option C	Public Works Staff  with Proposed Locations  General Public  City Hall Staff  Public Works Staff  - Concerns with Program Size/Co-Location  General Public  City Hall Staff  Public Works Staff  - Central Location	1   0   0     1   1   1   1   0   0	
Option C	Public Works Staff  with Proposed Locations  General Public  City Hall Staff  Public Works Staff  - Concerns with Program Size/Co-Location  General Public  City Hall Staff  Public Works Staff  - Central Location  General Public	5 5 0 0 0 3 3 3 0 0	
Option C	Public Works Staff  with Proposed Locations  General Public  City Hall Staff  Public Works Staff  - Concerns with Program Size/Co-Location  General Public  City Hall Staff  Public Works Staff  - Central Location  General Public  City Hall Staff  City Hall Staff	1   0   0     1   1   1   1   0   0	
Option C Option C	Public Works Staff  with Proposed Locations  General Public  City Hall Staff  Public Works Staff  - Concerns with Program Size/Co-Location  General Public  City Hall Staff  Public Works Staff  - Central Location  General Public  City Hall Staff  Public Works Staff  Oncerns/ Topics/Themes  isting Building	1	
Option C Option C	Public Works Staff  with Proposed Locations  General Public  City Hall Staff  Public Works Staff  - Concerns with Program Size/Co-Location  General Public  City Hall Staff  Public Works Staff  - Central Location  General Public  City Hall Staff  Public Works Staff  Oncerns/ Topics/Themes	1	

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# OPEN HOUSE #2 FEEDBACK

# **FEEDBACK NARRATIVE:**

# **SECONDARY THEMES:**

# MAIN PUBLIC LIBRARY

An overwhelming majority of respondents favored a new building.

Ample and free parking was a reoccurring theme across all options.

Of the 4 possible/locations presented, 2 were predominantly favored. Those sites were the TrueNorth Block adjacent to Greene Square Park and the Former Emerald Knights Block. Those favoring the Former Emerald Knights Block cited flood risk as a concern. Those favoring the TrueNorth block cited the visual connections to the park/art museum and the possibility of using geothermal energy as their rationale.

# MAIN PUBLIC LIBRARY

COMMENTS RETURNED

General Public

City Hall Staff
Public Works Staff

ARTICIPATION %	24.59%		
eneral Public 178	85.17%		
ity Hall Staff 15	07.18%		
ublic Works Staff 16	07.66%		
THEMES		# of RESPONSES	% of RESPONS
Option A - Total		3	1.44
Option A		3	1.44
General Public		3	
City Hall Staff		0	
Public Works St	aff	0	
Option B - Total		10	4.78
Option B		10	4.78
General Public		10	
City Hall Staff		0	
Public Works St	aff	0	
Option A or B - Total		1	0.48
Option C - Site A or B		I	0.48
General Public		I	
City Hall Staff		0	
Public Works St	aff	0	
Option C - Total		164	78.47
Option C - Build New		14	6.70
General Public		- 11	
City Hall Staff		0	
Public Works St	aff	3	
Option C - Downtown Loc	ation	П	5.26
General Public		10	
City Hall Staff		0	
Public Works St	aff	I	
Option C - Co-Locate with	Other Functions	1	0.48
General Public		I	
City Hall Staff		0	
Public Works St	taff	0	
Option C - No Flood/Ampl	le Parking	4	1.91

THEMES		# of RESPONSES	% of RESPONSES
Option C	- New Building Out of Flood Zone	11	5.26%
	General Public	- 11	
	City Hall Staff	0	
	Public Works Staff	0	
Option C	- Avoid Railroad Tracks	2	0.96%
	General Public	2	
	City Hall Staff	0	
	Public Works Staff	0	
Option C	- Not On 1st Avenue	2	0.96%
	General Public	2	
	City Hall Staff	0	
	Public Works Staff	0	
Option C	ption C.a - Existing Site		7.18%
	General Public	10	
	City Hall Staff	2	
	Public Works Staff	3	
Option C	.b - Greene Square Park/True North Site	51	24.40%
	General Public	40	
Rank #1	City Hall Staff	5	
	Public Works Staff	6	
Option C	.b - Sustainability Emphasis	3	1.44%
	General Public		
	City Hall Staff	0	
	Public Works Staff	2	
Option C	.c - Palmer/Skogman Site	7	3.35%
-	General Public	5	
	City Hall Staff	2	
	Public Works Staff	0	
Option C	d - Former Emerald Knights block	39	18.66%
	General Public	35	
Rank #2	City Hall Staff	4	
=	Public Works Staff	0	

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# **FEEDBACK** #2 **JOH NAG**

# OPEN HOUSE #2 FEEDBACK

# **FEEDBACK NARRATIVE:**

# **SECONDARY THEMES:**

COMMENTS RETURNED

# MAIN PUBLIC LIBRARY cont'd

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# MAIN PUBLIC LIBRARY cont'd

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THEMES		# of RESPONSES	RESP(
Option C -	Other Location	4	I
(	General Public	4	
L L	City Hall Staff	0	
F	Public Works Staff	0	
Option D	- Total	10	4
Option D -	Westdale	10	4
(	General Public	9	
(	City Hall Staff	0	
F	Public Works Staff	I	
Option B	or D - Total	8	3
Option C -	Site B or D	8	3
-	General Public	7	
(	City Hall Staff	- 1	
F	Public Works Staff	0	
Option C	or D - Total	3	
Option C -	Site C or D	3	
(	General Public	2	
-	C:- 11    C: #	1	
	City Hall Staff	1	
<u>_</u>	Public Works Staff	0	
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F	Public Works Staff  ncerns/ Topics/Themes	0	4
Other Com	Public Works Staff  ncerns/ Topics/Themes	10	
Other Com	Public Works Staff  ncerns/ Topics/Themes  ments	10	
Other Com	Public Works Staff  ncerns/ Topics/Themes  ments  General Public	10 3 3	
Other Com	Public Works Staff  ncerns/ Topics/Themes  ments  General Public  City Hall Staff  Public Works Staff	10 3 3 0	
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# PEN HOUSE

# OPEN HOUSE #2 FEEDBACK

# **FEEDBACK NARRATIVE:**

# **SECONDARY THEMES:**

# INTERMODAL TRANSIT FACILITY

The Intermodal Transportation Facility feedback yielded a low response rate.

Those who responded would like to see an expanded program at the former Pepsi location in downtown Cedar Rapids.

# INTERMODAL TRANSIT FACILITY

 COMMENTS RETURNED
 27

 PARTICIPATION %
 3.18%

 General Public
 25
 92.59%

 City Hall Staff
 00
 00.00%

 Public Works Staff
 02
 03.18%

THEMES	# of RESPONSES	% of RESPONSES
Other Concerns/ Topics/Themes		
Former Pepsi Location/Potential Mixed-Use Synergies	6	22.22%
General Public	6	
City Hall Staff	0	
Public Works Staff	0	
Expand Program	4	14.81%
General Public	4	
City Hall Staff	0	
Public Works Staff	0	
General Negative Comments	4	14.81%
General Public	4	
City Hall Staff	0	
Public Works Staff	0	
Service Comments	3	11.11%
General Public	3	
City Hall Staff	0	
Public Works Staff	0	
Centrally Located	2	7.41%
General Public	2	
City Hall Staff	0	
Public Works Staff	0	
Public Support for Facility	2	7.41%
General Public	0	
City Hall Staff	0	
Public Works Staff	2	

THEMES		# of RESPONSES	% of RESPONSES
Other	Proposed Locations	2	7.41%
	General Public	2	
	City Hall Staff	0	
	Public Works Staff	0	
De-Ce	entralize	I	3.70%
	General Public	1	
	City Hall Staff	0	
	Public Works Staff	0	
Lower	Priority	1	3.70%
	General Public	1	
	City Hall Staff	0	
	Public Works Staff	0	
Move	It Out of 500 Year Flood Plain	1	3.70%
	General Public	I	
	City Hall Staff	0	
	Public Works Staff	0	
Not N	Needed	1	3.70%
	General Public	1	
	City Hall Staff	0	
	Public Works Staff	0	

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# PEN HOUSE

# **OPEN HOUSE #2 FEEDBACK**

# **FEEDBACK NARRATIVE:**

# **SECONDARY THEMES:**

# **COMMUNITY SAFETY CENTER**

The Community Safety Center feedback yielded a low response rate.

Those who responded were positive regarding the concept.

# **COMMUNITY SAFETY CENTER**

COMMENTS RETURNED		26
PARTICIPATION %		3.06%
General Public	18	69.23%
City Hall Staff	03	11.54%
Public Works Staff	05	19.23%

THEMES			# of % of RESPONSES RESPONSE	
	Other Concerns/ Topics/Themes			
Public	Support of Concept	20	76.929	
	General Public	13		
	City Hall Staff	3		
	Public Works Staff	4		
Gener	ral Comments	5	19.23	
	General Public	5		
	City Hall Staff	0		
	Public Works Staff	0		
Gener	ral Support, What are the Costs?	I	3.859	
	General Public	I		
	City Hall Staff	0		
	Public Works Staff	0		
Count	y Participation Needed	- 1	3.859	
	General Public	I		
	City Hall Staff	0		
	Public Works Staff	0		
Co-Lo	ocate with Neighborhood Centers	- 1	3.859	
	General Public	1		
	City Hall Staff	0		
	Public Works Staff	0		
Use V	Vestdale	I	3.859	
	General Public	ı		
	City Hall Staff	0		
	Public Works Staff	0		
New S	Safety Center as Main Fire Station	I	3.859	
	General Public	0		
	City Hall Staff	0		
	Public Works Staff	1		
Not N	leeded	l l	3.859	
	General Public	1		
	City Hall Staff	0		
	Public Works Staff	0		

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# OPEN HOUSE #2 FEEDBACK

# **FEEDBACK NARRATIVE:**

# **SECONDARY THEMES:**

# **NEIGHBORHOOD CENTERS**

The Neighborhood Centers feedback yielded a low response rate.

Those who responded were positive regarding the concept. A handful of respondents felt it should be of a lower priority at the moment.

# NEIGHBORHOOD CENTERS

COMMENTS RETURNED 26
PARTICIPATION % 3.06%
General Public 24 92.31%
City Hall Staff 01 03.85%
Public Works Staff 01 03.85%

THEMES		# of RESPONSES	% of RESPONSE
	Other Concerns/ Topics/Themes		
Public Do	es Support	10	38.46%
	General Public	10	
Rank #1	City Hall Staff	0	
	Public Works Staff	0	
Flooded N	Neighborhoods Need Neighborhood Centers Back	4	15.38%
	General Public	4	
Rank #2	City Hall Staff	0	
	Public Works Staff	0	
Low Prior	rity Right Now	3	11.54%
	General Public	3	
	City Hall Staff	0	
	Public Works Staff	0	
Pair with	Police Sub-Stations	2	7.699
	General Public	2	
	City Hall Staff	0	
	Public Works Staff	0	
Use Existi	ng Buildings/Combine with Other Functions	2	7.69%
	General Public	2	
	City Hall Staff	0	
	Public Works Staff	0	
Public Do	es Not Support	2	7.699
T dolle Do	General Public	2	7.077
	City Hall Staff	0	
	Public Works Staff	0	
Use West	rdala		3.859
036 1763	General Public	<del>                                     </del>	3.03
	City Hall Staff	0	
	Public Works Staff	0	
General S	supportive Comments		3.859
	General Public	0	2.30
	City Hall Staff	1	
	Public Works Staff	0	
Good ide	a if cost is reasonable		3.859
2300 ide	General Public	0	3.33
	City Hall Staff	0	
	Public Works Staff	1	

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# OPEN HOUSE #2 FEEDBACK

# **FEEDBACK NARRATIVE:**

# **SECONDARY THEMES:**

General Comment

General Public
City Hall Staff
Public Works Staff

# FORMER UNITED STATES COURTHOUSE

The Former United States Courthouse feedback contained a general majority of people who had concerns regarding City ownership and burdens related to the building.

Regarding its future use, people advocated using it as possible overflow space for City Hall or selling the property over to a private owner.

# FORMER UNITED STATES COURTHOUSE

ARTICIPA eneral Pu ty Hall St	blic 36 92.31%		
THEMES		# of RESPONSES	% of RESPONSES
Option fo	or City Use	13	33.33%
Use For G	rowth of City Hall Services	10	25.64%
	General Public	8	
Rank #1	City Hall Staff	0	
	Public Works Staff	2	
Upgrade a	nd Re-Use for 'Non-Critical' Functions	2	5.13%
	General Public	I	
	City Hall Staff	0	
	Public Works Staff	I	
Preservati	on	I	2.56%
	General Public	I	
	City Hall Staff	0	
	Public Works Staff	0	
Remove	from City Ownership	19	48.72%
Potential l	Jses - Private Owners	7	17.95%
	General Public	7	
Rank #2	City Hall Staff	0	
(Tie)	Public Works Staff	0	
Remove F	rom Tax-Payer Burden (Sell)	7	17.95%
	General Public	3	
Rank #2	City Hall Staff	I	
(Tie)	Public Works Staff	3	
Use Buildi	ng or Sell It	2	5.13%
	General Public	2	
	City Hall Staff	0	
	Public Works Staff	0	
Potential I	Jses - County Juvenile Courthouse	3	7.69%
	General Public	3	
	City Hall Staff	0	
	Public Works Staff	0	
Other C	oncerns/ Topics/Themes	7	17.95%
Public Ne	gativity Towards Future Use of Building	4	10.26%
	General Public	4	
1	City Hall Staff	0	
	Public Works Staff	0	
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# OPEN HOUSE #2 FEEDBACK

# **FEEDBACK NARRATIVE:**

# **SECONDARY THEMES:**

# **GENERAL COMMENTS**

These comments were indicative of the small, yet vocal minority who wished for greater evaluation of Westdale Mall.

A variety of general comments are shown reflecting the spectrum of varied thoughts in this feedback category.

# **GENERAL COMMENTS**

COMMENTS RETURNED 27
PARTICIPATION % 3.18%
General Public 27 100.00%
City Hall Staff 00 00.00%
Public Works Staff 00 00.00%

THEMES		# of RESPONSES	% of RESPONSES
Re-Develo	op/Clean Industrial Sites	1	3.70%
	General Public	1	
	City Hall Staff	0	
	Public Works Staff	0	
What Abo	out Westdale	1	3.70%
	General Public	I	
	City Hall Staff	0	
	Public Works Staff	0	
No More	Tax Incentives for Businesses in Flood Zone	1	3.70%
	General Public	I	
	City Hall Staff	0	
	Public Works Staff	0	
Veteran's	Memorial as Icon of Cedar Rapids	1	3.70%
	General Public	1	
	City Hall Staff	0	
	Public Works Staff	0	
Great Loc	cal Opportunity	1	3.70%
	General Public	1	
	City Hall Staff	0	
	Public Works Staff	0	
General S	upportive Comments	2	7.41%
	General Public	2	
Rank #2	City Hall Staff	0	
(Tie)	Public Works Staff	0	
Re-Build/F	Re-Occupy What We Have		3.70%
rte Ballayi	General Public	1	5.7 676
	City Hall Staff	0	
	Public Works Staff	0	
Include I I	sers In Any Design Process		3.70%
include 0	General Public	<del>- i</del>	3.7 070
	City Hall Staff	. 0	
	Public Works Staff	0	
Keen Trad	ffic Signal Shop at Fleck Building		3.70%
кеер тта	General Public	1	3.70%
	City Hall Staff	0	
	Public Works Staff	0	
\A/a			2.700/
vvouid Lii	ke to Help		3.70%
	General Public	1	
	City Hall Staff Public Works Staff	0	
	FUDIIC VYORKS STATT	0	

THEMES		RESPONSES	RESPONSES
Would Li	ke to Help	I	3.70%
	General Public	1	
	City Hall Staff	0	
	Public Works Staff	0	
Build Out	side 500-Year Flood Plain	I	3.70%
	General Public	I	
	City Hall Staff	0	
	Public Works Staff	0	
Use Wes	tdale	7	25.93%
	General Public	7	
Rank #1	City Hall Staff	0	
	Public Works Staff	0	
Build for	Future Generations	1	3.70%
	General Public	I	
	City Hall Staff	0	
	Public Works Staff	0	
Concern	About Empty Buildings Downtown	1	3.70%
	General Public	I	
	City Hall Staff	0	
	Public Works Staff	0	
Re-Think	Ground Floor Uses	I	3.70%
	General Public	I	
	City Hall Staff	0	
	Public Works Staff	0	
Concerne	ed About People's Bank	1	3.70%
	General Public	ı	
	City Hall Staff	0	
	Public Works Staff	0	
Co-Locat	ion with County and Schools	2	7.41%
	General Public	2	
Rank #2	City Hall Staff	0	
(Tie)	Public Works Staff	0	
Governm	ent or Retail Downtown?	I	3.70%
	General Public	I	
	City Hall Staff	0	
	Public Works Staff	0	
C.R. Histo	oric Connections/Re-Occupy May's Island	I	3.70%
	General Public	I	
	City Hall Staff	0	
I	Public Works Staff	0	

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# PEN HOUSE

# OPEN HOUSE #2 FEEDBACK

# **FEEDBACK NARRATIVE:**

# **SECONDARY THEMES:**

# MULTI-PREFERENCE FEEDBACK ON ONE CARD

The following feedback charts depict comments where un-ranked multiple preferences were given from a single individual.

# MULTI-PREFERENCE FEEDBACK ON ONE CARD

### Public Works

ı A	
General Public	I
City Hall Staff	0
Public Works Staff	0
В	3
General Public	3
City Hall Staff	0
Public Works Staff	0
С	5
General Public	I
City Hall Staff	3
Public Works Staff	I
	General Public City Hall Staff Public Works Staff  B General Public City Hall Staff Public Works Staff  C General Public City Hall Staff C General Public City Hall Staff

### Library

Option	n B	2
	General Public	2
	City Hall Staff	0
	Public Works Staff	C
Option	n C	6
	General Public	3
	City Hall Staff	2
	Public Works Staff	I
Option	n C.b	5
	General Public	3
	City Hall Staff	ı
	Public Works Staff	I
Option	n C.d	I
	General Public	I
	City Hall Staff	0
	Public Works Staff	0
Option	n C, site b or d	
	General Public	I
	City Hall Staff	0
	Public Works Staff	0
Option	n C or D	
	General Public	0
	General rubile	
	City Hall Staff	ı

# Veteran's Memorial/City Services

Westda	ale	!
	General Public	
	City Hall Staff	(
	Public Works Staff	(
Option	В	
	General Public	Į.
	City Hall Staff	
	Public Works Staff	
Option	A or B	
	General Public	
	City Hall Staff	(
	Public Works Staff	(
Option	BorC	
	General Public	
	City Hall Staff	(
	Public Works Staff	(
Option	ıC	8
	General Public	4
	City Hall Staff	2
	Public Works Staff	

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# PEN HOUSE

# **OPEN HOUSE #2 FEEDBACK**

# **FEEDBACK NARRATIVE:**

# **SECONDARY THEMES:**

# MULTI-PREFERENCE FEEDBACK ON ONE CARD

MULTI-PREFERENCE FEEDBACK ON ONE CARD

The following feedback charts depict comments where un-ranked multiple preferences were given from a single individual.

### Fleet Maintenance

Located	d at Public Works/Part of Public Works	I
	General Public	0
	City Hall Staff	0
	Public Works Staff	I
Option	A	2
	General Public	
	City Hall Staff	i
	Public Works Staff	0
Option	В	
	General Public	I
	City Hall Staff	0
	Public Works Staff	0
Option	A or B	2
9	General Public	0
	City Hall Staff	2
	Public Works Staff	0
Option	С	6
	General Public	3
	City Hall Staff	2
	Public Works Staff	I
Option	C or D	
	General Public	0
	City Hall Staff	I
	Public Works Staff	0
Option	B or D	I
	General Public	I
	City Hall Staff	C
	Public Works Staff	0

### Central Fire

Always	s Accessible	
	General Public	
	City Hall Staff	
	Public Works Staff	
Public	Safety Should Warrant Discussion	
	General Public	
	City Hall Staff	
	Public Works Staff	
Option	1 A	
	General Public	
	City Hall Staff	
	Public Works Staff	
Option	n B	
-	General Public	
	City Hall Staff	
	Public Works Staff	
Option	n B or C	
	General Public	
	City Hall Staff	
	Public Works Staff	
Option	n C	
	General Public	
	City Hall Staff	
	Public Works Staff	

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# OPEN HOUSE #2 FEEDBACK

# **FEEDBACK NARRATIVE:**

# **SECONDARY THEMES:**

# MULTI-PREFERENCE FEEDBACK ON ONE CARD MULTI-PREFERENCE FEEDBACK ON ONE CARD

The following feedback charts depict comments where un-ranked multiple preferences were given from a single individual.

# Animal Care & Control

Optio	on A	I
	General Public	I
	City Hall Staff	0
	Public Works Staff	0
Optio	on B	I
	General Public	I
	City Hall Staff	0
	Public Works Staff	0
Optio	on C	9
	General Public	4
	City Hall Staff	5
	Public Works Staff	0
Optio	on C or D	I
	General Public	I
	City Hall Staff	0
	Public Works Staff	0
Optio	on D	2
	General Public	0

### Intermodal Transit Facility

City Hall Staff
Public Works Staff

ls a Moi	ney Pit	
	General Public	(
	City Hall Staff	
	Public Works Staff	(

# Community Safety Center

In Favor O	f Community Safety Center	- 11
	General Public	0
	City Hall Staff	- 11
	Public Works Staff	0

### Former U.S. Courthouse

Gell to County		- 1
	General Public	0
	City Hall Staff	0
	Public Works Staff	- 1

# Neighborhood Resource Centers

Good Idea		I
	General Public	I
	City Hall Staff	0
	Public Works Staff	0

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# 2009 REPORT **FEEDBACK HOUSE**

# **OPEN HOUSE #3 FEEDBACK SUMMARY**

# **EVENT SUMMARY:**

After receiving public feedback, 3 projects emerged as projects that had a clear path to moving forward with flood recovery.

Animal Care and Control - Build New Central Fire Station - Build New Main Public Library - Build New

Due to necessary code upgrades and flood mitigation at the Veteran's Memorial Building, usable square footage is decreased. Should City services wish to re-occupy portions of the building, program overflow would have to be accounted for. Resulting from this fact were several scenarios for City Services flood recovery:

Re-use Multiple Existing Buildings Build New City Services Building Build New City/County Services Building

City Operations reconstruction could be done on the existing site with a small property acquisition for sand and salt storage. Two scenarios were presented using Installment Funding and One-Time Funding scenarios.

### **PRIMARY FEEDBACK THEMES:**

### 1.CITY SERVICES:

Re-Use Existing Buildings Cost Concerns Future Flood Concerns

### 2.CITY OPERATIONS:

Use Installment Funding for Reconstruction

### 3. ANIMAL CARE AND CONTROL:

Keep on the "Clear Path"

**Build New** 

Begin Work Now

### **4.CENTRAL FIRE STATION:**

Keep on the "Clear Path"

**Build New** 

Begin Work Now

### **5.MAIN PUBLIC LIBRARY:**

Keep on the "Clear Path" Centrally Located Site

Begin Work Now

### 6. GENERAL COMMENTS:

Cost Concerns

**Future Flood Concerns** 

**General Action/Negative Comments** 

Feedback repeatedly delved into the issues of beginning work now and cost concerns. People were clearly hoping for City Council action and decision making soon.

# **QUESTIONS ASKED:**

# CITY SERVICES

Please share your thoughts...

# CITY OPERATIONS

Please share your thoughts...

# ANIMAL CARE AND CONTROL

Please share your thoughts...

# □ CENTRAL FIRE STATION

Please share your thoughts...

# MAIN PUBLIC LIBRARY

Please share your thoughts...

# ■ GENERAL COMMENTS

Please share your thoughts...

# ■ INTERMODAL TRANSIT FACILITY

Please share your thoughts...

# CIVIC CAMPUS

Please share your thoughts...

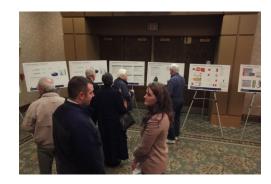
# NEIGHBORHOOD CENTERS

Please share your thoughts...

# COMMUNITY SAFETY CENTER

Please share your thoughts...









# OPEN HOUSE #3 FEEDBACK

# **FEEDBACK NARRATIVE:**

# **SECONDARY THEMES:**

# **EVENT SUMMARY**

City Services, the Main Public Library, and Animal Care and Control were the facilities that received the greatest amount of public interest at the third Open House.

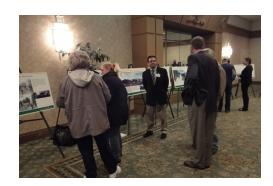
The table to the right offers a breakdown of which facilities received the greatest and least amount of public feedback and interest.

Total event attendance was 292, with 282 distinct comments received.

# **EVENT SUMMARY**

THEMES	RES	# of SPONSES	% of RESPONSES
City Services		80	28.37%
City Operations		13	4.61%
Animal Care and Control		42	14.89%
Central Fire Station		33	11.70%
Main Public Library		66	23.40%
General Comments		28	9.93%
Intermodal Transit Facility		9	3.19%
Civic Campus		3	1.06%
Neighborhood Centers		2	0.71%
Community Safety Center		6	2.13%

Total Event Responses: 282
Total Event Attendance: 292









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# OPEN HOUSE #3 FEEDBACK

# **FEEDBACK NARRATIVE:**

# **SECONDARY THEMES:**

### **CITY SERVICES**

Due to legally required code upgrades and flood mitigation at the Veteran's Memorial Building, usable square footage will be decreased. Should City services wish to re-occupy portions of the building, program overflow would have to be accounted for. Resulting from this fact were several scenarios for City Services flood recovery:

Re-use Multiple Existing Buildings Build New City Services Building Build New City/County Services Building

The majority of respondents favored the use of existing buildings at this Open House, largely due to cost concerns. This contrasts the feedback from Open House #2. 61.25% of respondents are in favor of using multiple existing buildings, in some form. 25.00% of respondents favored the construction of a new facility or new co-located facility. It would appear from this feedback, that cost concerns overrode the flood concerns of the public when it came to City Services.

# **CITY SERVICES**

General Public

COMMENTS RETURNED 80
PARTICIPATION % 28.37%

THEMES	# of RESPONSES	% of RESPONSES
General Statements for Re-Use of Existing Buildings	28	35.00%
General Public	28	35.00%
B.I Vet's Bldg., Fmr. US Courthouse, Pub. Works, Suburban Office Bldg.	14	17.50%
General Public	14	17.50%
B.2 Vet's Bldg, Fmr. US Courthouse, Downtown Office Bldg.	2	2.50%
General Public	2	2.50%
B.3 Pub. Works, Downtown Office Bldg, Suburban Office Bldg.	5	6.25%
General Public	5	6.25%
Re-Use Existing Buildings Sub Total	49	61.25%
General Public	49	61.25%
General Statements for Building New	2	2.50%
General Public	2	2.50%
C.I - New One-Stop City Services	12	15.00%
General Public	12	15.00%
C.2 - New One Stop City/County Services	6	7.50%

THEMES	# of RESPONSES	% of RESPONSES
Build New Building(s) Sub Total	20	25.00%
General Public	20	25.00%
Don't Build New	3	3.75%
General Public	3	3.75%
Do Cheapest and Most Practical Solution	1	1.25%
General Public	I	1.25%
Vet's Only Used for Ceremonial Spaces		1.25%
General Public		1.25%
Vet's Building Only for Vet's Commission	2	2.50%
Vet's Building Only for Vet's Commission General Public	2	2.50% 2.50%
General Public	2	2.50%
• ,		2.50%
General Public  Future Flood Concerns	2	2.50%
General Public  Future Flood Concerns	2	2.50% 1.25% 1.25%
General Public  Future Flood Concerns  General Public	1	2.50% 1.25% 1.25%
General Public  Future Flood Concerns  General Public  Courthouse Should Be Museum  General Public		2.50%  1.25%  1.25%  1.25%
General Public  Future Flood Concerns  General Public  Courthouse Should Be Museum		1.25% 1.25%

FEEDBACK RESPONSE TOTALS & PARTICIPATION PERCENTAGES ARE CALCULATED FROM ALL COMMENTS RECEIVED OVER THE ENTIRE OPEN HOUSE #3 EVENT PERIOD.

# 2009

# OPEN HOUSE #3 FEEDBACK

# **FEEDBACK NARRATIVE:**

# **SECONDARY THEMES:**

# **CITY OPERATIONS**

City Operations reconstruction could be done on the existing site with a small property acquisition for sand and salt storage. Two scenarios were presented using Installment Funding in conjunction with a phased renovation/construction approach and One-Time Funding single phase new construction/renovation scenario.

Public participation with regard to this facility was quite low during the third Open House. Installment funding was favored among respondents, although it was not a majority. Also, the sample size is not large enough to gage the true position of the general public.

# **CITY OPERATIONS**

THEMES

COMMENTS RETURNED PARTICIPATION %

Other Concerns/ Topics/Themes

13 04.61%

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Use Installment Funding - Option B.I	4	30.77%
General Public	4	30.77%
Use One-Time Funding - Option B.2	2	15.38%
General Public	2	15.38%
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Use Current Site - Expand Only If Necessary	<u>'</u>	7.69%
General Public	I	7.69%
City & County Should Share Operations	I	7.69%
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General Public	I	
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RESPONSES RESPONSES



FEEDBACK RESPONSE TOTALS & PARTICIPATION PERCENTAGES ARE CALCULATED FROM ALL COMMENTS RECEIVED OVER THE ENTIRE OPEN HOUSE #3 EVENT PERIOD.

# OPEN HOUSE #3 FEEDBACK

# **FEEDBACK NARRATIVE:**

# **SECONDARY THEMES:**

# ANIMAL CARE AND CONTROL

Animal Care and Control - Build New

This facility had received FEMA determination on almost all buildings for permanent relocation. Further, an overwhelming majority of respondents favored building a new facility and co-locating with Kirkwood Community College. It was hoped that the long standing partnership with Kirkwood could be built upon to create a stronger, more appropriate facility. Also a contributing factor to the "Clear Path" status is the special needs building program for the safety and well-being of animals and surrounding property owners.

Feedback for this facility was nearly unanimous for building new and collaborating with Kirkwood Community College.

Next Steps for Animal Care and Control are:

Continue conversations with Kirkwood

Work with FEMA to establish replacement cost

Investigate other funding sources

Issue RFQ for design services

Develop a defined program

After FEMA authorization of Obligated Funds and funding sources are established, design can begin

# ANIMAL CARE AND CONTROL

COMMENTS RETURNED 42 PARTICIPATION % 14.89%

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Keep on Clear Path and Build New	41	97.629
General Public	41	97.629

RESPONSES RESPONSES

Collaborate with Cedar Valley Humane Society	I	2.38%
General Public	- 1	2.38%



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# OPEN HOUSE #3 FEEDBACK

# **FEEDBACK NARRATIVE:**

# **SECONDARY THEMES:**

# **CENTRAL FIRE STATION**

Central Fire Station - Build New

This facility has applied to FEMA for Permanent Relocation. Also, respondents expressed a desire to defer to the recommendations of the Cedar Rapids Fire Department and their best practices criteria. Special program needs for the safety and best practices are not found in existing buildings, such as building type and building location.

The majority of respondents favored building a new Central Fire Station and wished that more information on possible site selection was presented.

Next Steps for the Central Fire Station are:

Recieve FEMA determination

Investigate additional funding sources

After FEMA authorization of Obligated Funds, City Council to approve final site location

Work with FEMA to establish replacement cost

Issue RFQ for design services

Develop a defined program

Start Design

# **CENTRAL FIRE STATION**

COMMENTS RETURNED PARTICIPATION %

33 11.70%

Keep on Clear Path and Build New	14	42.42%
General Public	14	42.42%

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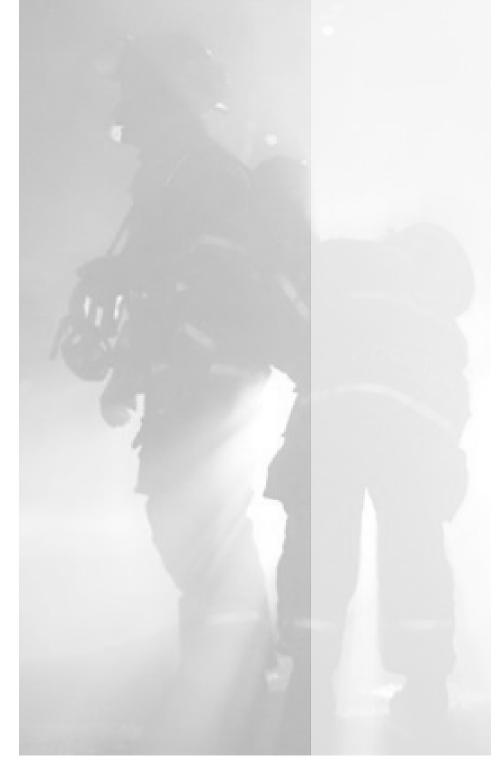
Build Outside of Flood Zone / Non-Floodable		10.1070
General Public	6	18.18%

Build on Existing Site - No Expansion	3	9.09%
General Public	3	9.09%

Other Sites	3	9.09%
General Public	3	9.09%

Don't Centralize Functions - Create Zones of Service	I	3.03%
General Public	I	3.03%

Not Enough Information on Possible Sites	6	18.18%
General Public	6	18.18%



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# **FEEDBACK** #3 **JAN HOUSE**

# OPEN HOUSE #3 FEEDBACK

# **FEEDBACK NARRATIVE:**

# **SECONDARY THEMES:**

MAIN PUBLIC LI	<b>IBRARY</b>
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Main Public Library - Build New

This facility had received FEMA permanent relocation status. Feedback yielded a majority of respondents favoring the construction of a new facility. As this building contains special program needs because of book weight and stacks, existing buildings are expensive to retrofit. Alternate funding sources are also already established for this facility. A design team has also been selected.

Feedback is also indicative of the public's desire for more site information and decision making. Although site information was not presented during the third Open House, people still voiced opinions on where they would like to see a new library constructed, overwhelmingly in a centrally located position within the city.

Cost concerns and flood concerns were also issues that resonated with respondents.

Next Steps for the Main Public Library are:

After FEMA authorization of Obligated Funds, City Council is to approve final site location.

Work with FEAM to establish replacement cost

Continue investigating other funding sources

After site selection is made, design concepts can begin

### MAIN PUBLIC LIBRARY

COMMENTS RETURNED PARTICIPATION %

23.40%

THEMES	# of RESPONSES	RESP
Keep on Clear Path and Build New	6	
General Public	6	
Build New on Centrally Located Site	6	
General Public	6	
Build New on Emerald Knights Block b/c of Flooding	16	2
General Public	16	2
TrueNorth Block b/c of Greene Sq. Park and Museum	9	I
TrueNorth Block b/c of Greene Sq. Park and Museum General Public	9	
General Public		ı
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General Public  Use Existing Library Building/Site	9	ı
General Public  Use Existing Library Building/Site	9	ı
General Public  Use Existing Library Building/Site  General Public	6	1
General Public  Use Existing Library Building/Site  General Public  Build New - Co-Locate With City	6 6	

THEMES	# of RESPONSE	S	% of RESPON
Free/Adequate Parking Concerns		7	10.6
General Public		7	10.6
Provide Outdoor Space and Public Amenities		I	1.5
General Public		I	1.5
Build Near Center of Population and Decentralize		I	1.5
General Public		I	1.5
Create Double Greene Square Park Site		ı	1.5
General Public		I	1.5
Build Larger Westside Library General Public		I I	1.5
Library is an Important Service		I	1.5
Library is an Important Service General Public		I I	
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General Public		I	1.5 1.5 1.5
General Public  Cost Concerns		1	1.5
General Public  Cost Concerns		1	1.5 1.5
General Public  Cost Concerns  General Public		1 1	1.5 1.5 1.5
General Public  Cost Concerns  General Public  Re-Use Building Materials		1 1	1.5 1.5 1.5
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# OPEN HOUSE #3 FEEDBACK

# **FEEDBACK NARRATIVE:**

# **SECONDARY THEMES:**

# **GENERAL COMMENTS**

General comments largely fell into the realm of cost concerns, future flood risks, and action needed/negative. Overall, the feedback illustrated the desires of a community who is ready to move quickly into flood recovery and rebuilding.

# **GENERAL COMMENTS**

COMMENTS RETURNED 28
PARTICIPATION % 09.93%

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THEMES RESPONSES RESPONSES

Cost Concerns		7	25.00%
Rank #1	General Public	7	

Future FI	ood Concerns	6	21.43%
Rank #2	General Public	6	

Move Forv	Move Forward		3.57%
	General Public	I	

Important Decision		3.57%
General Public	I	

General Supportive Comments	1	3.57%
General Public	I	

50 Year Life Cycle Costs Too Speculative	I	3.57%
General Public	I	

Beautification and Civic Improvements	I	3.57%
General Public	- 1	

City Council Should Hold Public Q&A	I	3.57%
General Public	I	

	General Questions/Comments	3	10.71%
Г	General Public	3	

General A	General Action/Negative Comments		21.43%
Rank #2	General Public	6	



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# OPEN HOUSE #3 FEEDBACK

# **FEEDBACK NARRATIVE:**

# **SECONDARY THEMES:**

	INTERMODAL TRANSIT FACILITY		COMMUNITY SAFETY CENTER	_
Feedback totals were low with regard to the Intermodal Transit Facility, Civic Campus, Community Safety Center, and Neighborhood Centers. This illustrates that these buildings, although supported by the public are of lower priority than the other community facilities they were asked o consider.	COMMENTS RETURNED 9 PARTICIPATION % 3.19%		COMMENTS RETURNED 6 PARTICIPATION % 2.13%	
	THEMES	# of % of RESPONSES		# of % of RESPONSES RESPONSI
Once work is completed on the primary community facilities,			Co-Locate at Kirkwood	
onsideration of these facilities should commence.	Accessible Hub Downtown  Rank #1 General Public	4 44.44%	Rank #1 General Public	2 33.33
			Contitue to Four Of	3 50.00
	Other Site Suggestions  Rank #2   General Public	3 33.33%	Good Idea - In Favor Of General Public	3 50.00
	Kank #2 General Fublic	3	General Funic	3
	Don't Build	1 11.11%	Neighborhood and Community Safety Center Low Priority	1 16.67
	General Public		General Public	l II
	Bus Service Suggestions	1 11.11%		
	General Public	l l		
	CIVIC CAMPUS		NEIGHBORHOOD CENTERS	
	COMMENTS RETURNED 3 PARTICIPATION % 1.06%		COMMENTS RETURNED 2 PARTICIPATION % 0.71%	
	THEMES	# of % of RESPONSES RESPONSES		# of % of RESPONSES RESPON
	Should Include a Recreation Facility	1 33.33%	Good Idea	2 100.00
	General Public	1	General Public	2
	Site Selected Is Not Visible Enough	1 33.33%		
	General Public	1		
	Good Idea	I 33.33%		
	General Public	1 33.3378		
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# APPENDIX AND SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION

The following information contains supporting materials, working documentation, and meeting minutes, and Council presentations.

