

Singing Arrow Community Center Project

Document Reviewed	Outcome	Questions That Arose
2011 Bond Issue	\$1,000,000 passed for renovation	
2013 Go Bond Application	\$250,000 requested in Go Bond application for renovation	
2013 Needs Assessment	Noted that facility was “old” although it was only 14 years old. Recommended new facility and demolishing old Center & returning area to green space.	The Needs Assessment was requested to justify a new community center even though a month later the ballot text identified renovation , NOT a new community center. There is no evidence of a cost/benefit analysis, operating budget analysis, or community or City Department input into this assessment.
2013 Bond Issue Ballot	\$1.5 million approved for Singing Arrow Community Center Renovation	How did a request submitted for \$250,000 end up on the Ballot as \$1.5 million?
2014, Dec., Council Bill R-14-113	\$75,000 for archaeological investigation of the property -- specifically donated for the preservation & protection of the land	Is it appropriate to build another structure on land that was donated for the purpose of preservation?
2015 State Capital Outlay Request	\$150,000 approved for SA Community Center renovation	
2015 Bond Funding Reallocation	No amount listed	Don Harris’ website states funding was made available for SA Community Center; we have been unable to obtain documentation that funding was specifically allocated to SACC. It is not clear that City Councilors were given any specific information that these funds were Singing Arrow Community Center related.
2017 Funding Status Received	Shows that approximately \$3,585,748 received from various sources. \$588,991 spent to date. It appears that \$503,000 is for the purchase of the parking lot.	Project was estimated at \$4.5 million, although \$5+ million is frequently stated at meetings. Not clear where the additional \$2+ million is coming from to build the Center.
City Operating Budget	Relatively flat for Family & Community Services.	Where is the staffing, maintenance and operational funding for the two Centers? Although stated that the old Center will be transferred to Child Development, is that department prepared to own & maintain it?
August 2017 City Council Meeting	Diane Gibson announced that SACC had 18 slots available.	If the existing Center is not operating at capacity, is a new 15,000 nsf facility necessary?
Information Provided by City Child Development Services by telephone	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pre Kindergarten Program – 14 of 20 slots filled • Child Development Program - SACC is licensed to run this program but is not doing so. • Early Head Start (EHS) - Licensed to provide services but cannot be opened due to lack of funding. City has applied for federal grant. 	<p>New facility is planned at 15,000nsf. Other than childcare and a gym, the City has not identified any programming for the new Center.</p> <p>Shouldn't we evaluate current needs, determine programming to fill needs, evaluate cost/benefit, and then determine how best to spend available funds?</p>

