

MARCH 24, 2020, TUESDAY**7:30 p.m. Study Session**

III.	Redmond Senior Center Building	Parks
Councilmember	Question	Staff Response
Anderson	<p>1. Time Constraints: In particular, the memo suggests delaying “the decision” 2-3 months. 2-3 months from what? Which “decision” is to be delayed– as there are 4 decision points listed in this section? The schedule provided looks the same as what we were previously operating under, so I’m not clear on the point of comparison. My understanding is it is not council’s decision to delay or set the schedule for a project delivery decision because it is already a budgeted and programmed item in the CIP for \$15 million, so staff has already been given permission to proceed, at least with a conventional bid. Perhaps I am misunderstanding the implications or the proposal? Are we going to be asked to/do we need to reappropriate those \$15 million for that project to something else in the near term? Because, if so, that’s a pretty big deal and a different ballgame.</p>	<p>This item is delaying the study session and ultimate decision from City Council to give direction and funding to implement the Recreation Stakeholders recommendation. This recommendation is to build an expanded Senior Center/Community Center, and to construct it to consider partners in the future. The schedule would be delayed in this process until the pandemic is over, we understand the economic impact of this situation, and the seniors can continue to be fully engaged in the process. This could be 2-3 months, it could be longer.</p> <p>Staff continue to work on approval for the GCCM process, and prepare bids for design work. Once Council makes a decision on the direction and funding, we will be able to begin the design development process almost immediately.</p> <p>The current set aside of \$15M is not enough to accomplish what the community has brought forth through the public engagement process. This is a great start, but the expanded option is \$40-45M. Even if the Council direction/decision would be to rebuild a like for like building, which is the less expensive option, we would still need more financial appropriation beyond the \$15M.</p> <p>Council will not be requested to re-appropriate the \$15M, as we would like to still move forward this year, albeit delayed because of the pandemic.</p>