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DEVELOPMENT OF THE NEW SINGING ARROW COMMUNITY CENTER

PUBLIC MEETING

Dear Sir or Madam:

My office is partnering with The City of Albuquerque's Family and Community Services Department to construct and operate a new 15,000 square foot Singing Arrow Community Center at the east end of Singing Arrow Park. The existing community center is a 5,000 square foot facility located at the west end of Singing Arrow Park. This facility is under-sized and does not lend itself well for expansion. It primarily provides before and after school programs for elementary school children.

In 2013 the City contracted with Sites Southwest to conduct a needs assessment study for a new community center in the Singing Arrow area. The study concluded that "A new, expanded facility could serve more families and also potentially offer facilities such as a fitness room and classes for adults and teens in the nearby area." The study also looked at three sites in the area and determined the East end of Singing Arrow Park site to be the most advantageous due to its proximity to lower median household income census blocks, access to the park and providing park safety, and adjacent parking.

The purpose of this public meeting is to meet with the architects for the project, Family and Community Services, the Department of Municipal Development, and City Council staff. Please join us the evening of February 7th to provide input on the design of the proposed community center. Light snacks will be provided.

Meeting: Tuesday, February 7th | 6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.

Location: Singing Arrow Community Center
13001 Singing Arrow Ave SE

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact my policy analyst Dawn Marie Emillio at dmemillio@cabq.gov or 768-3123. We look forward to meeting you and having your active participation in developing this community center.

Sincerely,

Don Harris
City Councilor, District 9