



MEMORANDUM

DATE: February 19, 2009

TO: Michael B. Press, County Manager

FROM: Joe Waters, Director of Facilities

CC: Honorable Steve Tatum, Chief Judge
Steve Howe, District Attorney
Frank Denning, Sheriff
Hannes Zacharias, Deputy County Manager
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RE: County Courthouse Study – March 5, 2009 Committee of the Whole

In anticipation of the upcoming Committee of the Whole regarding the Courthouse, I have attached electronic links to both the studies and the pertinent presentations dating back to 2004. As you recall, the need for a new Courthouse and the opportunity to reuse the existing building for general office space was identified in the Strategic Facilities Master Plan in 2002. A significant study was undertaken in 2004 to refine the needs, assess alternative solutions and locations and to make recommendations on scope and cost. In 2007/2008 a supplement to the study was done with specific direction to update the needs and to assess alternatives in which the ultimate goal of a new consolidated Courthouse would be accomplished in phases. Included in that assessment were updated “all-in” costs for a consolidated Courthouse as well as 3 phasing alternatives. In addition, interim actions that are needed to create more judicial space in the next 5 years while the new courthouse is underway were also recommended.

We will present a very abbreviated version of the work accomplished to date in the Committee of the Whole. We will also discuss the CIP process relative to both the immediate interim needs of the building and the new project itself. As you know, property acquisition for the new Courthouse was included in the 5 year CIP for 2010, followed in 2011 with the initiation of design and construction and project completion in 2014/2015.

The goal is two-fold: inform (through discussion on the studies) and discuss the next steps. The Courts and District Attorney will be present and look forward to participating in the discussion. Steering Committee members from both studies, including representatives from the City of Olathe, have also been invited.

If you have any questions in the mean time please advise.

http://facilities.jocogov.org/pdfs/20090305%20CoW%20Submittal%20Docs/20090305%20CoW_TOC.htm
