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We want to hear from you! Please share your thoughts below.

1. What types of spaces would you use most?

BASED ON CURRENT PLAN: SENIOR CENTER & LIBRARY. BUT O'REILLY SPACE SEEMS TO PROVIDE SPACE FOR ADD'L. OPPORTUNITIES. THE EXPANSE AND, THEREFORE, FLEXIBILITY OF THE O'REILLY SPACE FOR FUTURE NEEDS IS IDEAL.

2. What concerns do you have about the location(s), access, parking, or cost?

NONE BASED ON PRESENTATION INFO. THAT SPACE OFFERS OPPORTUNITY TO GENERATE ADD'L. RENTAL INCOME TO COVER COSTS IS IDEAL. ACCESS & PARKING ARE IDEAL.

3. Which community needs should the Commons prioritize?

4. Additional comments or questions:

THE O'REILLY COMPLEX IS A GIFT: IT'S WELL DESIGNED, SPACIOUS w/ SOME ROOM TO GROW, AN APPROPRIATE EXTENSION/EXPANSION OF OUR DOWNTOWN AREA FOR LIVING/WORKING SPACE AND WE CAN TAKE ADVANTAGE OF IT NOW.



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USE, LOVE, AND DEPEND ON SENIOR CENTER.

2. What concerns do you have about the location(s), access, parking, or cost?

BASED ON THE INFORMATION PRESENTED, NO CONCERNS
WHATSOEVER EXCEPT SOMEONE MIGHT TAKE THIS PERFECT
SPACE BEFORE WE DO. NEED TO GRAB IT NOW.

3. Which community needs should the Commons prioritize?

PRIORITIES ARE PERSONAL. FOR ME ITS THE SR. CENTER, BUT IT
WOULD BE IDEAL TO HAVE SEVERAL COMMUNITY GROUPS IN ONE
LOCATION. THE O'REILLY CENTER PROVIDES THIS OPPORTUNITY.

4. Additional comments or questions:

GRAB O'REILLY NOW!



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- Classrooms for senior classes, kitchen for Harvest cafe, outdoor areas, parking.

2. What concerns do you have about the location(s), access, parking, or cost?

- The O'Reilly bldg. is FABULOUS!
- The need for accessible parking should not be underestimated.
- I disagree about need for daycare at new facility. Don't try to estimate.

3. Which community needs should the Commons prioritize?

- Senior Center & City Hall. Library too if they go for it but if they insist on staying at current location, let them bear the burden of cost to rebuild that site alone.

4. Additional comments or questions:

I cannot stress enough how important it is that the powers-that-be recognize these entities, esp. senior ctr. and library, are used by everyone in West County, not just the 7500 town residents we keep hearing about.

Those of us who live outside the city limits are often the people who provide goods to local stores ~~so that~~ and we pay the Sebastopol sales tax on all the goods we buy locally, so we deserve an equal say in what happens with these services (Senior Ctr. & library). Just because a few people who live in town want to be able to walk everywhere, this should not override the vast majority of people who need to drive to these services.

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The library, and eventually the Senior Center, Community Center

2. What concerns do you have about the location(s), access, parking, or cost?

I strongly feel it's a win win on all fronts.

3. Which community needs should the Commons prioritize?

Senior Center, library, Teen Center (here please, not @ the Annex or current Community Center), Community Center.

4. Additional comments or questions:

Our teens definitely need a fun, comprehensive space to hang out and it feels like this could work for them. There's definitely the space to create a place similar to Chops in -

Santa Rosa. It's ideal because it's @ the end of the bike trail from Anady, next to the Charter, not too far from Brook Haven, and close to Eagle Park. To my knowledge teens have never been drawn to the Annex/Community Center location - too close to Anady, looks like an after-thought. Teens like their own space, but want to be where the action is, part of why they hang out in front of Safeway currently.

I have 4 teens (including an exchange student and their biggest concern is that there's not place to hang out that's dedicated to their interests... they feel unimportant to the community).

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* maybe funds could be generated by selling the Annex.)

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Presently, use 2 rooms @ Senior Center: one for Old Guys Friendship group at about 10-20 per meeting - sit in chairs around tables; and one meeting per week for Teachers for about 16 people. I would want that here at O'Reilly

2. What concerns do you have about the location(s), access, parking, or cost?

No concerns - actually closer to my home on Green Valley Road

3. Which community needs should the Commons prioritize?

- all that we can
- Senior Center because it needs space

4. Additional comments or questions:

- Good parking
- excellent space to use immediately



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- Senior Center classes and meeting rooms.
- library, separate rooms for classes/testing (ISP charter)

2. What concerns do you have about the location(s), access, parking, or cost?

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Love the little house and walkability, but spaces are perfect for our SAC and library. Parking is great! Cost doesn't seem to be a hindrance.

3. Which community needs should the Commons prioritize?

1. Library, 2. SASC, 3. City Hall

4. Additional comments or questions:

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Besides the stairs, the second floor seems perfect for SASC.
The kitchen on first floor could be modified for indoor/outdoor seating.



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MEETING SPACE - ESPECIALLY IF WE COULD BOOK
A YEAR WORTH

2. What concerns do you have about the location(s), access, parking, or cost?

HOW PRACTICAL IS THE RENTAL ASSUMPTION GIVEN ALL
THE LONG TERM VACANT BUILDING IN TOWN

3. Which community needs should the Commons prioritize?

CONSOLIDATE MOST OF PUBLIC SPACES SO STAFFING IS
SHARED AT HOURS ARE EXTENDED - NEED CENTER FOR KIDS

4. Additional comments or questions:

BEFORE PULLING THE TRIGGER LAYOUT THE BUILDING
SPACES TO SEE HOW FUNCTIONS FIT. CITY STAFF, MEETING
SENIOR CTR, YOUTH CENTER, LIBRARY, MEETING SPACE FOR PUBLIC
& NON PROFIT GROUPS

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I mean, I use the library a lot now, so the library, for sure. But I also volunteer at the Senior Center.

2. What concerns do you have about the location(s), access, parking, or cost?

My biggest concern with this location — which is a lovely space! — is the accessibility for pedestrians and cyclists. Narrow sidewalks, few crosswalks, steep hill, no separated bike lanes. I think it's significantly more difficult to get to if you aren't driving.

3. Which community needs should the Commons prioritize?

4. Additional comments or questions:

If we did come to the O'Reilly site, I think it would be imperative to invest in improved walkability for the surrounding streets. It really is nasty trying to get here by bike or on foot from downtown, or anywhere south of downtown.
(But other than that, I mean, yeah, it's a good building, sure.)



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1. What types of spaces would you use most?

exercise rooms
steam sauna
lunch/dining area

2. What concerns do you have about the location(s), access, parking, or cost?

none except it's a little further away and
approx 1 1/2 miles to walk from where I live

3. Which community needs should the Commons prioritize?

all of the 3 above
this bldg would be ~~great~~! great!

4. Additional comments or questions:

Great building and great financial analysis!
seems quite feasible.



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1. What types of spaces would you use most?

classrooms - exercise & presentations
social gatherings - fundraisers
cafe/restaurant

2. What concerns do you have about the location(s), access, parking, or cost?

none - perfect

3. Which community needs should the Commons prioritize?

sr center, library, city hall, comm center in that order

4. Additional comments or questions:

sooner the better for us seniors



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2. What concerns do you have about the location(s), access, parking, or cost?

O'Reilly — Yes, perfect

3. Which community needs should the Commons prioritize?

4. Additional comments or questions:



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1. What types of spaces would you use most?

YES DO THE PROJECT

2. What concerns do you have about the location(s), access, parking, or cost?

3. Which community needs should the Commons prioritize?

4. Additional comments or questions:

PLEASE DO IT NOW!



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The Library and Community Center

2. What concerns do you have about the location(s), access, parking, or cost?

The only concern I have is about the distance from downtown which I believe can be mitigated by increased bus access.

3. Which community needs should the Commons prioritize?

I really like the idea of having a daycare located here as well.

4. Additional comments or questions:

I am in favor of this option over the others that were an offer as long as the funding works as described.



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1. What types of spaces would you use most?

Library, Senior Ctr

2. What concerns do you have about the location(s), access, parking, or cost?

Yes, it's not downtown, but it would soon be another center of stores, restaurants & activity

3. Which community needs should the Commons prioritize?

4. Additional comments or questions:

I want to be able to use the commons in my lifetime. As a senior, this is the only one!

Overwhelmingly the best choice —

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1. What types of spaces would you use most?

EXERCISE CLASSES -
HOBBY CLASSES

2. What concerns do you have about the location(s), access, parking, or cost?

RENTING SPACE TO HELP FUND FINANCING.

3. Which community needs should the Commons prioritize?

ACTIVITIES FOR SENIORS THAT INCLUDES ~~TRIP~~ TRANSPORTATION

4. Additional comments or questions:

RENT SPACE TO LAW FIRMS (ESTATE PLANNING) & ACCOUNTING
FIRMS - AND NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATIONS
SUCH AS NAMI SOGO.



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Social spaces, physical exercise spaces like tai'chi

2. What concerns do you have about the location(s), access, parking, or cost?

Parking, traffic

3. Which community needs should the Commons prioritize?

Social spaces for seniors

4. Additional comments or questions:



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1. What types of spaces would you use most?

Senior Center, but really all spaces

2. What concerns do you have about the location(s), access, parking, or cost?

None

3. Which community needs should the Commons prioritize?

all of the ones discussed

4. Additional comments or questions:

great presentations!



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1. What types of spaces would you use most?

Library, senior center, cafe

2. What concerns do you have about the location(s), access, parking, or cost?

Cost - financial talk was brief & I didn't fully ~~read~~ understand.
I'm not convinced it is doable, given today's financial concerns -

3. Which community needs should the Commons prioritize?

city, county & nationwide.

Many. Child care center?

4. Additional comments or questions:

Pro - it won't ^{take} 10 years! All in 1 is nice.
More library space! Solid construction, etc.



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1. What types of spaces would you use most?

All of it!

2. What concerns do you have about the location(s), access, parking, or cost?

None!

3. Which community needs should the Commons prioritize?

Senior center (and library)

4. Additional comments or questions:

This is GREAT!!!



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2. What concerns do you have about the location(s), access, parking, or cost?

3. Which community needs should the Commons prioritize?

4. Additional comments or questions:

*18 million is a bargain for
This Building + land!*



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1. What types of spaces would you use most?

café, library, lawn, meeting places, classes,
spaces for concerts (small)

2. What concerns do you have about the location(s), access, parking, or cost?

I think this O'Reilly space is a no-brainer in so many ways

3. Which community needs should the Commons prioritize?

Library, Sr. Center, City Hall.

4. Additional comments or questions:

There are ~~so~~ many spaces in Redwood Market Place that are empty. How sure are you about renting current City buildings Sr. Center & library?



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1. What types of spaces would you use most?

- library
- Sr Center
- City meetings

- coffee shop
- emergency Prep Center

2. What concerns do you have about the location(s), access, parking, or cost?

NONE

3. Which community needs should the Commons prioritize?

4. Additional comments or questions:

- Bus Rt 24 - ~~more~~ EASY TO MONIFY TO STOP IN FRONT
- energize EV chargers

YES! MOVE FORWARD

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1. What types of spaces would you use most?

SENIOR CENTER

2. What concerns do you have about the location(s), access, parking, or cost?

NONE

3. Which community needs should the Commons prioritize?

① CITY ② LIBRARY ③ SENIORS

4. Additional comments or questions:

LOVE THE CONCEPT OF USING
OBEFLY. NO BRAINER. DO IT!



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LIBRARY, ~~CITY~~ CITY HALL

2. What concerns do you have about the location(s), access, parking, or cost?

NEEDS SIDEWALK EXTENDED NORTHSIDE OF 116
FROM DUFRANC → HURLBUT

3. Which community needs should the Commons prioritize?

LIBRARY, SENIOR CENTER

4. Additional comments or questions:



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1. What types of spaces would you use most?

LOVE THE IDEA

2. What concerns do you have about the location(s), access, parking, or cost?

EVERY SINGLE HANDICAP SPACE WAS
TAKEN TODAY - SO THAT PARKING IS
ALREADY AN ISSUE

3. Which community needs should the Commons prioritize?

4. Additional comments or questions:



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1. What types of spaces would you use most?

Senior Center Library

2. What concerns do you have about the location(s), access, parking, or cost?

Access for people who can not drive

3. Which community needs should the Commons prioritize?

Senior center ; childcare , library

4. Additional comments or questions:



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1. What types of spaces would you use most?

sensor catcher
library
non profit space

2. What concerns do you have about the location(s), access, parking, or cost?

O'Reilly seems like a no brainer

3. Which community needs should the Commons prioritize?

parking

4. Additional comments or questions:

No one mentioned that is also accessible
on the free bus.



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1. What types of spaces would you use most?

SENIOR CENTER LIBRARY

2. What concerns do you have about the location(s), access, parking, or cost?

FINE WITH ME

3. Which community needs should the Commons prioritize?

4. Additional comments or questions:

BUY IT NOW



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1. What types of spaces would you use most?

Senior center, library.

2. What concerns do you have about the location(s), access, parking, or cost?

None. ~~It~~ Better to use existing building than build more because it would waste resources and add carbon.

3. Which community needs should the Commons prioritize?

accommodating all businesses needing more space

4. Additional comments or questions:

#24 free bus would take people to the location.
I would ride my ebike.



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1. What types of spaces would you use most?

library, sr center cafe, classes

2. What concerns do you have about the location(s), access, parking, or cost?

I love it. Parking in the middle of town is almost impossible

3. Which community needs should the Commons prioritize?

Improve sidewalk on Greenstein Hwy.
library, sr center, community gatherings

4. Additional comments or questions:

preschool a welcome addition.
great bicycle access.



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1. What types of spaces would you use most?

Gr Space

2. What concerns do you have about the location(s), access, parking, or cost?

That Building Exists / IT will be less exp

3. Which community needs should the Commons prioritize?

than ANYTHING ELSE

4. Additional comments or questions:

Any Building on BARE LAND will be delayed
& MORE EXPENSIVE



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1. What types of spaces would you use most?

Senior Center (Social, exercise)
Library

2. What concerns do you have about the location(s), access, parking, or cost?

On a bus route is great -
Cost has to be within a reasonable range

3. Which community needs should the Commons prioritize?

* Library *

4. Additional comments or questions:



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1. What types of spaces would you use most?

library, com. center, Senior Center

2. What concerns do you have about the location(s), access, parking, or cost?

It should be at the O'Reilly Bldg.

3. Which community needs should the Commons prioritize?

It would be nice to be multi-generational as well.

4. Additional comments or questions:

It is a no-brainer that it should be here at the O'Reilly Building



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1. What types of spaces would you use most?

Senior center ?

2. What concerns do you have about the location(s), access, parking, or cost?

Nothing

3. Which community needs should the Commons prioritize?

Senior center - All that you are

4. Additional comments or questions:

Senior Center taller waste of time !



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1. What types of spaces would you use most?

Senior Center

2. What concerns do you have about the location(s), access, parking, or cost?

None

3. Which community needs should the Commons prioritize?

4. Additional comments or questions:

Seems like No Brainer
to me - if we can finance it!



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1. What types of spaces would you use most?

Senior Center
Parking lot
Library

2. What concerns do you have about the location(s), access, parking, or cost?

3. Which community needs should the Commons prioritize?

Bus service to & fro

4. Additional comments or questions:

So refreshing to watch the city
add parking



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1. What types of spaces would you use most?

LIBRARY

2. What concerns do you have about the location(s), access, parking, or cost?

3. Which community needs should the Commons prioritize?

LIBRARY. OR CITIZEN CTR

4. Additional comments or questions:

LOVE THE OPENLY SPACES -

THIS IS AN INCREDIBLE OPPORTUNITY FOR
SEBASTOPOL - PLEASE MAKE IT HAPPEN!



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1. What types of spaces would you use most?

Large Meeting Rooms
Small Offices, Food Court, Exercise
Area, game Room

2. What concerns do you have about the location(s), access, parking, or cost?

Great Access & the local Shuttle

3. Which community needs should the Commons prioritize?

Intergenerational Service, Emergency Access

4. Additional comments or questions:



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1. What types of spaces would you use most?

2. What concerns do you have about the location(s), access, parking, or cost?

No concern

3. Which community needs should the Commons prioritize?

4. Additional comments or questions:



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1. What types of spaces would you use most?

My family would use the library & Community Center
The school next door where I teach & my children
attend could use a large meeting space. We
currently rent the Community Center 1x/year

2. What concerns do you have about the location(s), access, parking, or cost?

Could the Community Center coexist peacefully
with the new housing occupants (with late-night
concerts)

3. Which community needs should the Commons prioritize?

4. Additional comments or questions:

So easy to picture this being a library!
And another building is here, too! what a
dream is



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1. What types of spaces would you use most?

Senior Center & Library

2. What concerns do you have about the location(s), access, parking, or cost?

None - it's all great

3. Which community needs should the Commons prioritize?

Community space where Library, Senior Center & others can gather w/ parking

4. Additional comments or questions:

Please go forward with the O'Reilly project ASAP!



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1. What types of spaces would you use most?

*Senior Center classes
Library*

2. What concerns do you have about the location(s), access, parking, or cost?

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3. Which community needs should the Commons prioritize?

Library, Senior Center

4. Additional comments or questions:

Would love as a retired teacher to see multi-generations use the facilities and symbiotically relate, i.e., tutoring, library research, after school



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1. What types of spaces would you use most?

library
senior center
Tree house Hollow Preschool ?!!

2. What concerns do you have about the location(s), access, parking, or cost?

none, it seems perfect

3. Which community needs should the Commons prioritize?

Inter/Multi Generational activities / Seniors w/ Preschoolers

4. Additional comments or questions:

Wonderful Presentation - Thank you for all of your work!



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1. What types of spaces would you use most?

Senior Center! Classroom space: library!!
Recreation space for all ages; sheltered areas near water
Food Distribution

2. What concerns do you have about the location(s), access, parking, or cost?

Parking, carting - like, accessibility, bathrooms
Can we really afford this

3. Which community needs should the Commons prioritize?

non-profits that supply services to our community

4. Additional comments or questions:

If we can afford it - we should do it.



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2. What concerns do you have about the location(s), access, parking, or cost?

increase the frequency of #24 shuttle

3. Which community needs should the Commons prioritize?

Library is #1

4. Additional comments or questions:

Your team worked hard
Phill did a great financial breakdown



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Library
Senior Center classes

2. What concerns do you have about the location(s), access, parking, or cost?

Getting the downtown - how do the merchants feel?
Would it be possible to create a shuttle service?

3. Which community needs should the Commons prioritize?

Library - children's services, computers,
Senior services

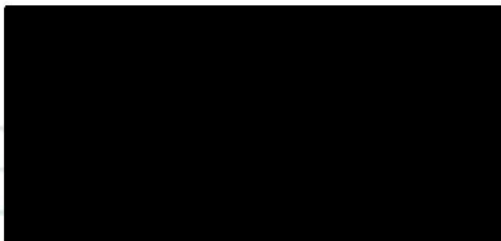
4. Additional comments or questions:

① Please produce a clear, simple financial overview with analysis of the uncertainties - how strong is the rental market (affecting the assumption that ~ half the space could be rented out, that market is not

saturated). committing city funds to future costs means less in the city revenue - even if it's 250% of increase that's meant to cover future cost increases.

② Are there specialized spaces that could serve more than St Center library?

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1. What types of spaces would you use most?

SENIOR CENTER & LIBRARY

2. What concerns do you have about the location(s), access, parking, or cost?

AS PRESENTED TODAY SEEMS DO-ABLE

3. Which community needs should the Commons prioritize?

SENIOR CENTER & LIBRARY

4. Additional comments or questions:

I WOULD LOVE TO GET INVOLVED!



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1. What types of spaces would you use most?

My kids use the library after school!

2. What concerns do you have about the location(s), access, parking, or cost?

Walkability for folks who do not have cars + children in town / coming from schools in town

3. Which community needs should the Commons prioritize?

4. Additional comments or questions:

P.S. hold another event like this after the workday for folks who worked - this is essential for an intergenerational project



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We want to hear from you! Please share your thoughts below.

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SENIOR Center, Legacy, Community Center, Library

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Excellent location and parking etc for Community to come together, Self building downtown to help finance

3. Which community needs should the Commons prioritize?

Senior center, Youth, Schools, ~~and~~ Day Care, Library, events etc etc

4. Additional comments or questions:

Make this Complex the center of Services for not just the City of Sebastopol, but All of West County. If needed form A district to make a

Bond Issue to build the site out & rent space for
other uses. 18 million is a big bargain & a
great Asset for all of West County.

Contact Info (optional):



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LOVE ALL THE IDEAS

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NEED COMMUNITY CULTURAL CENTER FEE

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NEED SOMEONE WHO KNOWS HOW TO ASK THE
RIGHT FOR MONEY

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Won't the city have to
hire a property manager
for rentals and maintenance
coordination. other
extra staff?

In general, I'm pro

Timing of meeting
feels inappropriate being
the first day of
school @ 3:00.

Considering families
actively raising children
the general consensus
is the library should
be closer to downtown
and schools

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which we did in 2007.

Now 45 years later we have
2 programs, one across the street
from Apple Blossom.

I believe a Commons needs to
have multi-aged participants -

Please consider

Tree House Hollow Preschool
as a non-profit for our
community.

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From: [REDACTED]
To: [Sebastopol Public Works](#)
Subject: Public Comment Concerning the Commons
Date: Friday, August 14, 2026 11:17:35 AM

I mainly use the library and the Senior Center. We do need new spaces for that. I was surprised to find the library was built with no moisture barriers. The O'Reilly Building is definitely new enough to not need many changes to make sure it is in code. The parking is great. The cost does not concern me because not much needs to be done. I assume that the restaurant level kitchen could be moved from the Senior Center to the new building as needed.

As for needs, the library of course, the Senior Center. (Just make sure the free bus line goes to the O'Reilly Building) I can see preschools and daycares being added to the space. The Senior Center would have more room for Bridge and Mah Jong and other games and activities.

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From: [Mary Gourley](#)
To: [Oriana Hart](#); [Elissa Overton](#)
Subject: Fwd: Building the Commons: Community Engagement Meeting of Thursday, August 13, 2026
Date: Thursday, August 13, 2026 5:23:50 PM

Mary C. Gourley
City Manager
City of Sebastopol

Begin forwarded message:

[REDACTED]
Date: August 13, 2026 at 5:19:42 PM PDT
To: Mary Gourley <mgourley@cityofsebastopol.gov>
Subject: Building the Commons: Community Engagement Meeting of Thursday, August 13, 2026

Feedback from the Commons meeting...

Large room—needed to set up more chairs...

With the proposed move of the library, the city works, and the senior center to O'Reilly buildings, what happens to the buildings they vacate? The guy from the senior center said developers may buy the buildings and pay a good amount of money for them. How would this money offset the purchase of the O'Reilly buildings? This was not discussed in the meeting.

Based on the presentations, it seems that the O'Reilly buildings are a 'done deal.' I don't like that the services are not down town, but I understand the reality of how perfect the O'Reilly buildings are (except that they're way out of town).

I don't understand why they were saying the high school was close; would teenagers really be utilizing all the services? Maybe the library? They could walk up the Joe Rodota trail, and thus be away from traffic. Not really a good selling point.

Thanks for the meeting!

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