

# UPPER ARLINGTON SENIOR ASSOCIATION

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To the Upper Arlington Senior Association Members:

## Re: Support for the Community Center Feasibility Study

I hope this finds you well. Last year was an exceptionally difficult year on many levels and it is unfortunate that we are not able to gather and socialize as we so enjoy. I know many of us transitioned to virtual recreation or participated in outdoor activities. We are working with the Parks & Recreation Department on plans to reopen the senior center.

As President of the Upper Arlington Senior Advisory Council, an advisory board for the Upper Arlington Senior Association, I want to share information regarding the May 4<sup>th</sup> Community Center ballot issue.

Many of us participated in and followed the Community Center Feasibility Task Force (CCFTF) study process. This was a very extensive and transparent process exploring options for a community center. Through the work of the Task Force, our community is presented with the opportunity to vote on the community center issue.

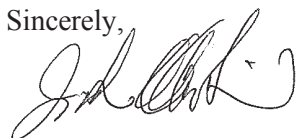
The SAC discussed the proposed facility, location and financial structure with Task Force member Linda Mauger, City Manager Steve Schoeny, Parks & Recreation Director Debbie McLaughlin and Senior Center staff members. We were pleased with the level of detail and consideration that went into the study process. The recommendations call for a multi-generational facility that includes dedicated space for seniors and new indoor recreation opportunities (pool, walking track, fitness rooms and gym). The SAC is pleased with these recommendations and the opportunities for our older adults and voted unanimously to approve a Motion of Support for the Task Force process, findings and recommendations, see attached letter.

I understand that this is a complex matter and there is a good amount of information available online. The City is conducting informational sessions to allow residents to ask questions to the City Manager and Parks & Recreation Director to fully understand the information as you make your decision on this topic. **You can attend a session by computer or telephone.** The sessions are as follows, visit <https://upperarlingtonoh.gov/community-center-ballot-issue/> for information on how to participate:

- Monday, April 5 at 10 am
- Wednesday, April 7 at 6:30 pm
- Saturday, April 17 at 10 am
- Thursday, April 22 at Noon

I encourage you to attend one of these sessions. If you have questions or comments please email the City Manager's office at [city.manager@uaoh.net](mailto:city.manager@uaoh.net) or call their office at 614-583-5040. You may also contact the staff at the Senior Center at 614-583-5320.

Sincerely,



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