

February 20, 2017

Mr. Joe Gall Sherwood City Manager 22560 SW Pine Street Sherwood, OR 97140

Dear Mr. Gall,

Thank you for forwarding us the Feasibility Study results. We're pleased the Study validates the YMCA as the only provider who can operate at zero cost to Sherwood and the lowest fees to residents, while at the same time providing the most comprehensive range of services to the community.

While we agree with much of the Study, we've attached a list of items which we feel are warranted clarifications. As for next steps, we're looking forward to responding to an RFP, if that is the course the City takes. However, we also welcome talks toward renewing our contract as we've been encouraging the City of Sherwood to do. In addition, we are requesting the City host an "Open Forum" (Town Hall) where citizens, within the next 30 days, can publicly join a civil dialogue about what type of future they want for their facility. That, along with professionally surveying residents, should yield good insight for all parties involved.

Over the years, our Sherwood YMCA has contributed several million dollars toward building expansions, reduced-fee scholarships, and other gifts to this great community. We're looking forward to doing much more, as well as partnering with the City to find even better ways to serve its residents.

Sincerely,

Mark Burris
Chief Operating Officer
YMCA of the Columbia-Willamette

Attachments:
A Feasibility Study Response
B Services Provided by ASO (Association Services Office)

Cc:

Mayor Krisanna Clark Sherwood City Council Sherwood YMCA Board of Managers