Johnson Recreation Center Community Meeting Notes
May 15, 2018 at Swansea Recreation Center

1. Opening by Councilwomen Ortega, stressing the importance of this location.
2. John Martinez explained the purpose of the meeting, to build on what we started last time and answer any remaining questions.
3. Laura Morales explained an activity (to add to what was shared last time and build onto it by prioritizing the needs/wants) and shared reports which had previously been done by neighborhood organizations.
4. Laura explained that the timeline will be extended to gather more community input, which can be conducted in the community outside of the recreation center. Needs to hear from locations on when/where she can be present to collect more information.
5. Questions
   a. Will the Miner’s contract be expended if the RFP process isn’t completed before their contract expires? 
      No, their contract can be expended, if necessary.
6. Reminder to give Laura suggestions for who and where she can collect community feedback.
7. Reminder to contact Laura if interested in participating on the selection committee.
   a. Do you have to live in Elyria to be on the selection committee? Yes.
      i. It was recommended that the City consider selecting folks that use the Johnson Recreation center instead.
8. John described the RFP process.
9. John reminded to provide Laura with an e-mail address, so she can provide updates.

Activity Notes (dots represent priority topics)
Recreation

- Boxing

Opportunity to participate beyond "Rec" level -- competitive and beyond for those that excel.

Early Childhood

- Head Start Pre-School

Parent + Baby/Tot Activities

- Actividades de Padres y Niños.
  - Importante educación temprana.

- Educational Outdoor Activities
  i.e. Kids Gardening

- Continue miners programming

- Parents' Support Groups
  i.e. Dads Group/Mom's Group

- Kid Watch to allow parent participation in programming.
**OTHER**
- **OTRO**
  - **ECOM** COMPUTER/TECHNOLOGY ACCESS
  - **IT LITERACY PROGRAMS**
  - Meals provided for children who might not have access to a meal otherwise
  - Should be comprehensive process w/Swansea Rec also to activate programs across Elyria - Swamp
  - Both centers (Swansea & CM) should be free or very reduced price during construction to encourage indoor recreation
  - **KIND**

We want to keep that Swansea/Swamp Rec alive.

**ADULT + OLDER ACTIVITIES**
- **ADULTOS Y ADULTOS MAYORES**
  - Nudge & Balboa are needed
  - New class on the menu for next year
  - Classes de tejido, manualidades, cerámica.
  - Economic app connections w/classes
  - YOGA + LOW IMPACT FITNESS CLASSES
  - Faith Based use of Elyria Center and Park.
  - Secular use of Elyria Park.
  - Both Swansea & Elyria + Johnson Rec, Elyria Park.
  - Sewing machines

**Commercial kitchen**
- Can have people to vote who are not so biased

**SAFETY CLASSES**
- Self Defense classes

**ESL**
- Nutrition for older adults
- Citizenship Classes
- **FOLK DANCING**
- *ZUMBY* CROSS-FIT + OTHER new & effective fitness programs
Youth + Out of School Time

- Dinners for the children
- Arts + Crafts
- Theatrical Lessons
- Free Birthday Parties Monthly for Kids
- Safe Environment + Positive Mentors

Jovenes + Extra Curricular

- Computer Lab
- Mentoring
- Clases de Defensa Personal (Kick)
- Arte, Musica, Baile, Pintura, Manualidades
- Faith Based use of the Park and Embryon Center (Church)
- Cocina, maquillar, bordado, corte y confección
- Secular Children's Activities
- Tutoring
- Sports - Low or no Cost!
- Mentor Program