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Hello!

I would like to submit a comment in regards to the four proposed locations for the community wellness center. I also want to send my sincere thanks to the city manager, city commission, and city staff in their efforts to make the process for this development as clear and accessible as possible. I love the webpage you have made, your updates in the city newsletter and the survey you sent out. It makes me hopeful that you will continue to solicit feedback and keep the community in the conversation as this project moves forward.

In regards to a location for the wellness center, I feel similarly to Mr. Schleicher after reading his letter to the commission, that it would be a mistake to place such an important new facility in a place that has any chance of flooding. 500 year flood events can happen, as we all saw last year, and there is absolutely no justification for developing any part of Sacagewea park if there is any flood risk when there are three other viable options. I strongly oppose that site for the proposed wellness center.

Given the census data presented on the website, if we want the center to be accessible to families and low income households, I feel that Katie Bonnell park is an excellent location. It is an underutilized park, so losing it would not be impactful, especially if it will be replaced with another public recreation facility. I also appreciate that it is on a busy road, in an area that already has development from the railroad and the county dump site, so hopefully it would create less disturbance from traffic, noise pollution, etc. for the surrounding homes. The Northside soccer fields are not as easy to get to from the Southside as Katie Bonnell, and present challenges for walking/biking because of their distance uphill. Also, given the future population growth of our city, and the knowledge that there are more and more babies being born at the hospital every year, it seems like poor foresight to eliminate an entire school building that could be used by the district in the future, so I also feel that using the Washington School property is not as appealing.

Thank you for your consideration, I look forward to learning more about this project as it progresses and I am so pleased that you are moving forward with something that will be so impactful for our community.

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