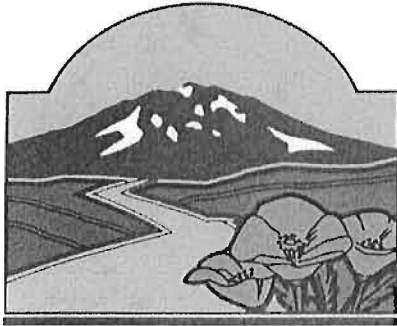


CITY OF  
**ANDERSON**



# AGENDA ITEM

September 1, 2009 City Council Meeting

Approved for Submittal By:

City Manager *D. Shigley*

To Be Presented By:

Dana Shigley *D. Shigley*

To: Honorable Mayor and Members of the Anderson City Council

Through: Dana Shigley, Acting City Manager  
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Date: September 1, 2009

## SUBJECT

Short-Term budget needs and Long-Term Vision for Teen Center Management and Funding

## RECOMMENDATION

The City Manager recommends that the City Council:

**Adopt a resolution amending the 2009/2010 adopted Budget.**

## FISCAL IMPACT

For the 2009/2010 fiscal year, this action would reduce the fund balance in the Teen Center operating fund by \$8,400. As of June 30, 2009, the balance in the Teen Center operating fund (190) will be approximately \$38,000. These funds have been set aside by the City for long-term capital repairs or to meet other unanticipated needs. This recommendation would not impact the General Fund.

Future year contributions for Teen Center activities are unknown. One of the priorities in the coming year will be, working with CAPC, APHC, and other interested community members, to develop a funding model that includes grant funds, donations from fund raising, and city contributions.

## **DISCUSSION and BACKGROUND**

### **Background**

The need for a teen center in Anderson was identified in 1999 when the Anderson Partnership for Healthy Children (a project of the Child Abuse Prevention Coordinating Council of Shasta County (CAPC)) conducted a strategic planning process that included a survey of community challenges and assets. A majority of survey respondents and community groups involved cited the lack of available teen activities in the Anderson area as a priority issue. Many of the concerns focused on the after-school hours and the risky behaviors and dangers associated with boredom and lack of supervision during this time.

Responding to this need, in 2001, the City of Anderson purchased a two-story building located at the corner of Howard and East Center Streets. The building, constructed in mid 1870's and in need of substantial rehabilitation, was leased to the Anderson Partnership for Healthy Children (APHC) and APHC operated a range of teen and youth programs there for several years. In 2003, the building had deteriorated to the point where it was barely useable, and the City began in earnest to seek funding sources for a new Teen Center that would provide recreational and community facilities and make the downtown area more attractive and safe for residents. The City was able to obtain various grants and loans and, most importantly, partner with Shasta County Public Health for the construction of a new, 11,750 square foot building on the same site. Construction broke ground in January 2006 and Shasta County Public Health and the Partnership for Healthy Children moved into their new building in June 2007. APHC has been operating teen and youth activities in the new building under the terms of a lease with the City.

As early as 2000, when the City, CAPC and APHC first began conversations regarding operation of the Teen Center, the partners agreed that, while APHC would operate the programs for the immediate future, a different model for long-term management and funding of the programs would be needed eventually. As the economy flourished and grant funds were available in recent years, APHC has been able to obtain sufficient grants to keep the programs operating and expanding. However, as funding has become more challenging to obtain, it is time to address both the short term budget needs and long term vision for oversight of these important programs.

### **Short Term Budget Needs**

During the 2009/2010 fiscal year, many state and county funded grant programs have been severely cut as a result of the state's fiscal woes. APHC had been receiving \$35,000 in annual funding from the County's Child Abuse Prevention Intervention and Treatment program. However, these funds unexpectedly were withdrawn this year due to state budget issues. An additional \$25,000 contract was reduced by \$5,000 for the same reason. CAPC and APHC have been able to find alternate funding sources for most of this loss, however, they are not able to fund the remaining \$8,400 in annual rent to the City without curtailing services. This rental income to the City is used to offset maintenance and utility costs for the building.

Under the leadership of the APHC, approximately 650 teens have visited the Teen Center over the past year. Average daily attendance is about 35, typically more during the school year and fewer during the summer. These youth are not only having fun, they are also engaging in youth leadership activities and community service opportunities. Many of the teens that visit the Teen Center are low-income and come from troubled families. The structured, age-appropriate activities at the Teen

Center provide these teens with positive influences in their lives. The Teen Center programs have been successful and very popular in the community.

Staff recommends that the City Council adopt a resolution amending the 2009/2010 budget to reduce anticipated rental income by \$8,400 in the Teen Center operating fund.

### **Long Term Vision**

Under the stewardship of CAPC and APHC, the Teen Center programs have been highly successful and well-managed. CAPC and APHC are both proud to have been instrumental in creating these important programs, however, now that the Teen Center programs are mature, it is time to consider other options for the long-term provision of these services.

In response to this, I have met with Betty Futrell and Michele Erickson to begin the process of developing a vision for the future. This vision needs to address two basic issues: how programs will be operated and how programs will be funded. While we do not yet have answers to these questions, we are exploring the possibility of forming a new community-based non-profit organization dedicated to developing and managing programs, as well as engaging in fund raising and grant writing to support these programs. Betty, Michele and I will continue to meet and explore this and other options, and are contacting others in the community who might be interested in working on this vision with us.

## **ATTACHMENTS**

1. Resolution amending the 2009/2010 Adopted Budget

## RESOLUTION NO. 09-\_\_

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ANDERSON  
AMENDING THE 2009/2010 TEEN CENTER OPERATING BUDGET**

WHEREAS, the Anderson Partnership for Healthy Children (APHC) has been partnering with the City to provide teen and youth activities at the Anderson Teen Center since 2001; and

WHEREAS, the APHC, a project of the Child Abuse Prevention Coordinating Council (CAPC), has funded these beneficial programs with a variety of grants and other resources; and

WHEREAS, because of the fiscal challenges facing the State of California and other agencies, CAPC and APHC have suffered an unanticipated loss of funding for the 2009/2010 fiscal year; and

WHEREAS, the City of Anderson supports these important programs and wishes to forego rental charges for the year 2009/2010 in order that APHC and CAPC can continue to provide these programs.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Anderson amends the 2009/2010 adopted budget as follows:

Account	Description	Current	Proposed	Change
190-4553	Rental Income	\$8,400	\$0	(\$8,400)

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of Anderson this 1st day of September 2009, by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

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Butch Schaefer, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Juanita Barnett, City Clerk