

# Press Release



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### **CLIVE, Iowa – City of Clive to Explore New Solutions for City Facility Needs**

Due to an expected 44 percent population growth in the next 15 years, the City of Clive has been exploring potential solutions to fulfill facility needs to meet the service demands of an escalating population. One proposed solution was the Clive Town Center, along the NW 114th Street corridor, in which a Government Center would house the police department and City Hall, with the remainder of the land being privately developed. After reviewing proposals, the City of Clive intends to end the process of the Town Center project and explore new solutions to best meet the needs of residents.

The proposed Town Center project was based around building a public and private partnership that would ensure any public investment the city makes in facilities would leverage the private investment for a long-term stable tax base and help offset the construction costs of building new and renovating facilities for police, fire, library, and administration.

Upon review of the proposals received from the private development firms on Friday, August 8, the City Council concluded that the Town Center project was not financially viable at this time. The proposals did not provide the sufficient development elements the City desired to be able to pursue the construction of a Government Center in a way that provides value to residents. If the project were to move forward without the Government Center component, it makes a significant change to the concept, therefore resulting in the City deciding to end the process.

Moving forward, the City Council will continue to have facility needs remain a priority and is assessing alternative solutions to fulfill the City's space needs, specifically pertaining to the Clive Police Department. The Council will also be exploring how to best utilize the City-owned ground along the NW 114th Street corridor over the next six months — the results of which may include the sale of portions of the land for private development.

The City greatly appreciates the time, effort and resources spent by the development community throughout the proposal generation process. The City Council is also very grateful to the Clive residents and the Town Center Citizen Steering Committee for their input and involvement on this project.

Residents can keep informed of new developments on the facility space needs and plans for the NW 114th Street Corridor, by visiting <http://cityofclive.com>, <http://facebook.com/cityofclive>, or subscribing to the City's e-newsletter at <http://cityofclive.com/i-want-to/sign-up-for/enotify>.