

SHOW LOW CITY COUNCIL
SPECIAL MEETING - TUESDAY, DECEMBER 10, 2024

PURSUANT to A.R.S. Section 38-431.02, notice is hereby given to the Show Low City Council and to the general public, that a **Special Meeting** of the Show Low City Council will be held on Tuesday, December 10, 2024, at 5:00 PM in the City Council Chambers, 181 North 9th Street, Show Low, Navajo County, Arizona. The agenda for this meeting is as follows:

1. Call to Order.
2. Roll Call.
3. **NEW BUSINESS:**
 - A. Consideration of Approval to Select Conceptual Design for Show Low Sports and Events Center Project (Morgan Brown)
4. **ADJOURNMENT:**

Rachael Hall, City Clerk

I, Rachael Hall, do hereby certify that the foregoing notice was posted on December 6, 2024.

**City of Show Low
STAFF SUMMARY REPORT**

AGENDA TITLE: Consideration of Approval to Select Conceptual Design for Show Low Sports and Events Center Project (Morgan Brown)

RECOMMENDATION

I **MOVE** to approve selecting either the six or eight court dome conceptual design for the Show Low Sports and Events Center Project and moving forward on the design of the project

BACKGROUND

The concept of a convention and events center has been discussed for several years. In 2017, the City of Show Low decided it was time to take a serious look at the concept and contracted with Hunden & Associates to perform a market and demand analysis. Hunden was contracted again in 2018 to recommend a facility size, establish an opinion of cost, perform financial projections and evaluate potential sites for a convention facility. In 2019, Sports Facilities Advisory (SFA) was contracted to study the feasibility of a facility combining sports courts with a convention and events facility. SFA conducted two additional studies in 2020 and 2022 and recommended a facility that would accommodate six courts to compete regionally for sports tournaments and developed an opinion of cost of \$27 million. SFA further concluded that the facility would be operationally sustainable in year three of operation. Since the conclusion of the SFA studies, the pandemic occurred, and ensuing inflation drove the probable cost of the facility to around \$45 million.

Architect Rick Crandall from Prescott was approached in 2023 to design a dome concept for the facility as a lower cost alternative to the SFA conceptual design. Mr. Crandall has worked with staff for over a year to develop unique conceptual designs for both a six court and an eight court facility at a projected cost of around \$34 million for each. The main differences between the two designs are that the eight court model has more playing surface on the ground level to accommodate the two additional courts. However, the six court model has a higher seating capacity and overall better sight lines for concerts and other like events. Both models include 10,000 square feet of meeting space along with family and fitness areas, playground and patio area and a walking/jogging track on the upper level.

Staff recommends the Council select either the six court or eight court model developed by Rick Crandall and approve moving forward on the design of the facility.

ATTACHMENTS

None

FISCAL IMPACT

N/A