Utilities & City Owned Facilities Committee Meeting

attendees

- Ron Dill City Manager, City of Ft Thomas
- Chief Mark Bailey Fire Department, City of Ft Thomas
- Adam Reis Resident
- Mark Collier Resident
- Mitch Eberenz Duke Energy / Resident
- Jerry Noran Boone Co. Building Dept / Resident
- Frank Twehues CT Consultants
- Emily Bills CT Consultants

discussion items:

- The meeting began with an overall discussion of the importance of the Mess Hall in Ft Thomas.
  - Surviving military building adjacent to former parade grounds.
  - Local residents have a strong connection to the building.
  - Aesthetically pleasing.
  - Popular, desirable destination with affordable rental fees.
  - Visible landmark in Tower Park with good proximity to park amenities.
  - Desire for the Mess Hall to continue to support more ‘Passive’ uses.
  - It was noted there is a ‘guest’ expectation of front door parking. How can we address this need (visually and physically)?

- Summary of Discussion (Existing Uses / Limitations / Potential Uses):

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### Concerts
- Waste Collection
- Parking

### Theatrical Production
- Public / Private Partnerships
- Use of Basement of Storage (Requires Freight Elevator)
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### Funeral / Memorial Services
- Mobility Issues
- Possible Room for Addition

### City Groups
- Ballfield
- Increased Parking

### Public Meetings
- Staffing
- Small meeting/break-out space

### Exhibit Spaces
- Daily Maintenance
- Specific storage

### Restrooms
- No Kitchen
- Co-working Space/Business Center

### Primarily Weekend/Evening Uses
- Size
- Business Fairs

- Lack or A/V and flex furnishings at back of house
- Catering or Teaching Kitchen

- Outdoor space (patio)

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**Overwhelming responses:**

- Don’t lose event space.
- Mess Hall should be defined community meeting space (Passive); Armory should be Active space.

**Additional Comments:**

- Current uses are primarily weekend/evenings events. Daytime uses would require staffing considerations.

**Next Meeting:** TBD

The notes above reflect our best understanding of the conversations during the input meeting. If the above differs from your understanding, please kindly advise.

Respectfully submitted by,

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