TO:

Don Adams, County Manager

FROM:

Savannah Community Development Center

DATE:

August 10, 2023

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Assistance for Repairs and Upgrades

Please accept this memo as a written request for assistance with some much needed repairs and upgrades at our facility. Thank you for your consideration.

We wish to ask the County for assistance in completing the following:

Last fall, our center has had a large number of ceiling tiles fall. Thankfully, as a function was underway, no one was injured when the tiles fell. Included, are photos of the ceiling. We have obtained an estimate from Mr. Mike Patterson to replace the ceiling tiles with sheetrock, which will correct this problem and be much safer. We did attempt to obtain additional estimates, but Mr. Patterson's was the only one received. We would like to move forward with Mr. Patterson performing the repairs. As you can see from the cost, this would impact us financially quite a bit. We would like to ask the County if they would be willing to assist us with this repair. The building is covered under the County's insurance policy and it's possible that the insurance may cover a portion of the costs, but we do not know what items would be covered.

We are enclosing a copy of Neo-Corp's asbestos report on the building. As you can see from this report, no asbestos was detected.

Another item of concern is the parking situation at the Center. We have very inadequate parking at the center, with only one (1) Handicap Accessible parking space. This space works beautifully, however, we have a number of elderly and handicap citizens who have to wait longer for casting their vote because there is only one space. This particular problem presents both a financial impact and a logistical one. Water and/or sewer lines may or may not be in the way when attempting to resolve this parking issue.

We would like to ask your assistance in these priority areas of concern.

As an update, our current Board of Trustees have a vision. This vision is to provide the Savannah community with a resource that is both adequately geared to serve the community and a place the community can be proud of associating with the Savannah area. Over the years, the building has become quite run down. We, the Board of Trustees, are working on and would like to see this Center be able to qualify to apply for and receive grants, and recognition from WNC Communities, so we can "pay it forward" to our community in the future.

Some Trustees' concerns and goals are:

- Community Involvement by planning and having community projects that the entire community can feel welcome and be a part of community involvement.
- New HVAC system our current "system" consists of 2 very old gas heaters and 2 small window unit air conditioners. We have discussed a ductless mini-split may solve both the problem of both energy and financial efficiency...(plus they include dehumidifier properties)

Renovated kitchen area – our current kitchen is very dilapidated and difficult to sanitize. Our
goal is to have a bright, clean and efficient kitchen that will be easier to keep clean. Mold,
mildew and age have rendered our current kitchen very run down.

Enclosed with this memo, please find photographs of the ceiling, Mr. Patterson's estimate, and the Neo-Corp report.

We would like to thank you in advance for your consideration. We are most appreciative of all the help you have provided our community in the past.

Sincerely,

Savannah Community Development Center Board of Trustees

Charlene Beasley Randy Cabe Roberta Crawford Sandra Deitz Chris Moore Martha Robinson

STATEMENT

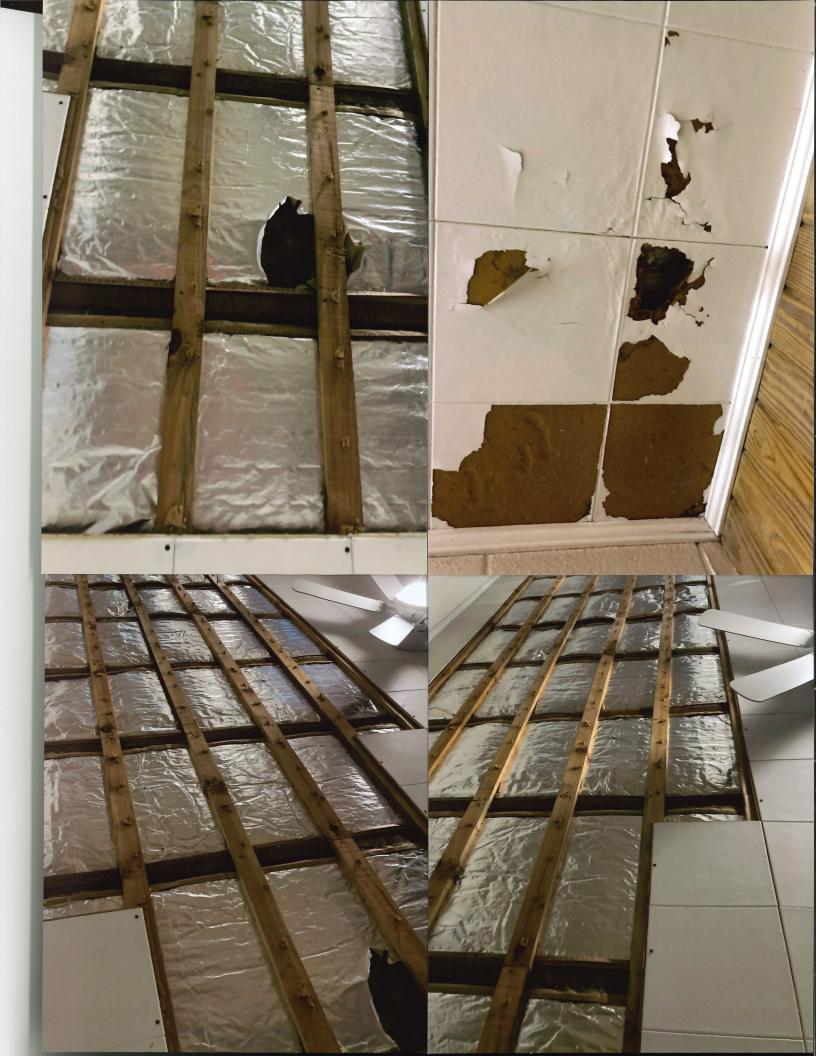
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ADDRESS

Savannah Community Building C/O Randy Cabe New parking area

ESTIMATE #	DATE	EXPIRATION DATE
1011	09/18/2023	10/18/2023

DATE	ACTIVITY	DESCRIPTION	QTY	RATE	AMOUNT
	ABC Stone	Haul ABC stone and spread on new parking area in front of the handicap parking area.	64	36.50	2,336.00
	78mm	Haul 78mm stone and spread over ABC stone in new parking area.	32	50.00	1,600.00
	JD Tractor	Tractor time spreading gravel.	6	100.00	600.00

If estimate is excepted any additional work will be at the expense of others.

TOTAL

\$4,536.00

Estimate

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ESTIMATE #	DATE	EXPIRATION DATE
1012	09/18/2023	10/18/2023

DATE ACTIVITY	DESCRIPTION	QTY	RATE	AMOUNT
78mm	Haul 78mm stone and spread on existing driveway and parking area.	48	50.00	2,400.00
JD Tractor	Tractor time spreading gravel	4	100.00	400.00

If estimate is excepted any additional work will be at the cost of others.

TOTAL

\$2,800.00

Estimate

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