



Killeen Senior Centers Townhall Question and Answer July 13, 2022

During construction will the Rosa Hereford Killen Community Center be closed?

Due to the type of work that will occur (demo of walls, floors, painting, etc) the building will be closed.

If you are advertising the bid in August, why will it not be awarded till October?

Bids will be received in August; staff will then go through and look at each bid. Once a contractor is selected through the bid process, staff will prepare a presentation to go to City Council for approval. Meaning the bid will be awarded in October.

Can we do overnight trips?

Yes. Staff is preparing a Request for Qualifications (RFQ) to find a travel agency that will plan and implement local and overnight travel based on where the seniors would like to go. A travel survey was conducted asking the seniors where they would like to go, how much they are willing to pay, and how often they want to travel. Based on those results an RFQ was created and will be sent out for travel agencies to submit a proposal. The RFQ will be advertised in early August on the City website: <https://www.killeentexas.gov/Bids.aspx> and on two consecutive Sundays in the Killeen Daily Herald. Staff will evaluate the proposals and choose a travel agency that best suites the needs of the senior members.

Is the new Bob Gilmore Senior Center strictly for seniors?

The Bob Gilmore Senior Center (BGSC) wing will be located within the Rosa Hereford Killeen Community Center. The BGSC wing will be programed for senior activities Monday – Saturday. Hours will be extended into the evenings and weekends based on senior citizen's feedback.

Have you thought of an indoor pool?

Yes. Through the newly adopted Parks Master Plan (<https://www.killeentexas.gov/DocumentCenter/View/5298/Parks-Master-Plan-2022-PDF?bidId=>) staff has identified a way to obtain more amenities for citizens through a shared use of KISD property via Master Lease. Recreation Services currently has a shared use with KISD at Iduma, Maxdale and Timber Ridge Elementary Schools. There are parks within these properties that KISD is able to use during school hours and is available to citizens during non-school hours. Recreation Services maintains these properties.

Will you need more staff to operate the Bob Gilmore Senior Center?

No, we will have enough staff to maintain the operations. The staff that are allocated for the Rosa Hereford Killeen Community Center will remain and will be able to run the facility.

Next Townhall Date is October 12, 2022, at 1:00pm-2:00pm