

SUMC Facilities Vision and Planning Committee

April 16, 2019 Meeting Notes

Members In attendance: Becky Peeler, Brett Hall, Grant Bosshardt, Harry Gilger, Larry Eyer, Bob Rosas, Alan Hunt, Chris Wyatt

Congregants In attendance: Joan Derry, Jan Rosas, Pastor John Weston

The meeting began at 3:30 with a walk-through of the church and west wing with representatives from Rice Fergus Miller –Steve Rice (architect), Suzanne Portecorvo (project manager), and Roger Long (project designer). The SUMC committee then met with the architect group in room 104 to discuss observations and questions.

Observations by Suzanne, Steve, and Roger:

We have a lot of “mission type” activities. How important is it that we are on this property? (The committee responded that on a 1 to 10 scale, we estimate 6 to 8 – very important.) We currently have more space than we need. (Our committee shared that we are interested in flexible spaces for multi-purpose use.) We are spending lots of money just to keep up with maintenance and many new problems keep getting discovered. There is lots of “heart” in this community. In general, renovation costs more than new construction. Building new on our existing property is likely a more viable option than finding another piece of property in the Silverdale area that would meet our needs. Due to the size and needs of our current building, we would likely not have enough money to do a renovation even if we sell the back of the property. Selling/leasing the front of the property would provide us with a larger amount of money that could be used to rebuild on the back of the property.

The architects stressed that there are many things to still get information on before they can present “hard” numbers and plans. Working with us to develop conceptual designs with cost estimates would be a give-and-take process; they make presentations and refine them based on our input. They anticipate that this process would likely take us until the end of summer.

They suggested that a real estate appraisal for selling the full lot, east half and west half would help in decision making. They will wrap these estimates into their work on conceptual designs for us.

Rice Fergus Miller will put together a proposal for working with us on coming up with concept designs for our different options and present the proposal to our committee. They expect to have something available in approximately 10 working days.

The meeting ended at approximately 5pm.