
Medical Clinic Expansion

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While I appreciate the Town working toward accomplishing a goal from the General Plan; of enhancing medical services. I believe the financials behind the current Clinic show that any expansion of services (by building a new facility) will come with a heavy cost to Town finances. The bottom line is the current facility is not profitable even with limited hours and the current low rent.

I believe we have all the information needed to make a decision on this matter. The 800 patients per year, or 15 per week does not allow for any expansion without major subsidies from Springdale.

Another issue I must mention is the pre-selection of a building contractor (VCBO) to 'manage the construction of the medical facilities'. We found the attempt to pre-select a vendor to build the apartment complex (by Switch Point) almost resulted in a cost of the Trapper Circle apartments of \$4 million dollars. By using a competitive bid process, for Trapper Circle, we saved over 50% on the cost of this apartment building.

It's been suggested to me, by a Town resource, that the cost of building apartments or other structures in Town doesn't make any difference to our Village. I have a different opinion, please reach out to me if you would like to discuss this issue.

Finally, I believe there is a need to implement better financial controls for how we spend our Town revenues. For, after all, it is our money.

A bit of diligence, years ago, would have prevented the waste of time and effort with this Clinic project. It may have stopped the unfortunate waste of resources at our sewage treatment facility. And it would have stopped the ill advised push to pre-select a vendor for our affordable apartments at Trapper Circle.

Thank You,
Tom Kenaston

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