

**Legislative Coordinating Commission
Capitol Restoration Working Group
Monday, October 1, 2007
2:00 p.m.
Room 230 Judicial Building**

Present:

Rep. Lyndon Carlson
Rep. Alice Hausman
Rep. Mary Liz Holberg
Rep. Diane Loeffler
Sen. Dennis Frederickson
Sen. Keith Langseth
Sen. James Metzen
Sen. Ann Rest
Sen. Claire Robling
Justice Paul Anderson
Dana Badgerow
Mary Hartnet
Margot Imdieke
Matt Kramer
Carolyn Kompelien
David Lanegran
Rebecca Spartz

Excused

Rep. Mary Murphy
Rep. Morrie Lanning
Sen. Richard Cohen

Sen. Langseth called the meeting to order at 2:13 p.m.

I. Minutes

Sen. Langseth moved to approve the minutes from the September 14, 2007 meeting. Seconded. **MOTION PREVAILED.** Rep. Holberg moved to approve the minutes from the August 3, 2007 meeting. Seconded. **MOTION PREVAILED.**

II. Overview

Sen. Langseth allowed Ms. Judy Plante, Director of the Management Analysis Division of the Department of Administration (DOA), who was selected to facilitate the meetings of the Capitol Restoration Working Group to begin. Ms. Plante explained the purpose of meeting was to open dialogue and make the discussion more conversational. She also explained the members had been assigned seats at three different tables to mix House, Senate and other members.

III. Review Work from Previous Meetings

Ms. Plante gave an overview of the work from the previous two meetings. She reviewed the discussion that ensued at the August 3, 2007 meeting where members discussed the

importance of legacy and their vision. Ms. Plante then gave a brief overview of the September 14th meeting in which different ways to renovate the Capitol were discussed.

Ms. Plante addressed the confusion over the terminology that has been used: restoration, renovation, and remodeling. She cited the focus should not be on terms, but what the Working Group is trying to accomplish.

IV. Develop understanding of various Capitol restoration scenarios

Mechanicals Presentation:

Dana Badgerow, Commissioner of DOA, introduced Dave Fielding, Plant Management Director of DOA; Terry Sullivan of Schooley, Caldwell & Associates; and Michael Bjornberg, Associate Vice President of Hammel, Green & Abrahamsom to address the mechanicals.

Mr. Sullivan clarified that mechanicals include the heating, cooling and plumbing systems. Also to be considered are the fire protection system, electrical system, communication system, automation controls, power distribution, hazardous materials and elevators.

Mr. Fielding gave an overview of the difficulty associated with maintaining the existing mechanical equipment. He cited the current controls are not well integrated, the equipment is old and inefficient, the mechanicals are not easily accessible and the set up poses life safety issues. Mr. Sullivan addressed the mechanical goals, which include increasing energy efficiency, moving to an all air system, maintaining high quality equipment that is easily accessible and installing a system of redundancy.

Mr. Fielding, Mr. Sullivan and Mr. Bjornberg stood for questions. Several members raised questions focused on the placement of the mechanical equipment in underground vaults versus the basement of the Capitol. Discussion ensued.

Ms. Plante asked members to break into three smaller working groups to discuss their reactions to the mechanicals presentation and whether to go forward with the restoration. A spokesperson shared each group's reactions with the entire Working Group.

Justice Paul Anderson stated his group reached a consensus that the leaks and mechanicals are the driving efforts for the restoration. They felt placing the mechanical equipment in vaults may be the best method for future needs, but if possible, the effort should be phased in. They leaned closer to going forward than not.

Rep. Holberg stated her group struggled to reach a decision. Everyone agreed the mechanicals need to be upgraded and that remodeling is needed, but struggled to make a decision without cost associations.

Sen. Langseth stated his group decided vaults are the way to go since moving the mechanicals to the basement raises issues of relocation.

Justice Anderson distributed the article “*The Dead Hand of the Architect*” by Daniel A. Farber to the Working Group.

Public Safety Presentation

Mr. Sullivan introduced Lieutenant Kent Kogler of the National Guard and Lieutenant Bob Meyerson of the Department of Public Safety. Mr. Sullivan gave an overview of the 2006 National Guard Vulnerability Assessments of the Capitol complex. He highlighted high vulnerability risks, which include the north parking lots and the loading docks to the Centennial Office Building. He noted the costs to rectify the vulnerability issues from the report are high and integration with the restoration would be a solution. Mr. Sullivan, Lt. Kogler and Lt. Meyerson stood for questions. Discussion ensued.

Ms. Plante asked the group for reactions to the security presentation. Discussion ensued. There was a general consensus that security is important, but so is public accessibility to the building.

V. Next Steps

Ms. Plante stated that at the next meeting the group would start to look at options and costs. Rep. Holberg requested a copy of the costs for hearing and meeting rooms.

There being no further business, Sen. Langseth adjourned the meeting at 4:32 p.m.

Senator Keith Langseth, Co-Chair

Representative Alice Hausman, Co-Chair