

COLBY PARK



Timeline

- **An ad hoc shelter committee was appointed in June, 2004.**
- **The Committee included representatives from the City Council; the Citizens Capital Planning Committee; the Windsor Heights Chamber; the Windsor Heights Foundation; the Lions Club and Keep Windsor Heights Beautiful.**
- **In January, 2005, the Council contracted with RDG for planning services.**
- **On April 17, 2006, the Council conceptually approved the reconfiguration of Colby Park**
- **In June, 2006, the Council approved a contract with RDG for \$30,000 for master planning and the development of construction documents for the physical reconfiguration of the park.**
- **In July, 2006, Council approved a master plan that included the outdoor performance pavilion and the plaza area.**
- **In August, 2006, the Council approved \$100,000 for the playground renovation project.**
- **In September, 2006, the Council approved \$200,000 for the physical reconfiguration of the park. This was matching funds for a \$200,000 grant from Polk County.**

- In June, 2007, the playground was dedicated.



School children were involved in the planning for the playground.

This represented a partnership with the Windsor Heights Foundation, Cowles School and Polk County.



Colby Park Playground: Before and after



After renovation, the playground provides a safe and attractive area for children.

An aluminum, southern facing slide and outdated teeter-totters posed liability issues. Also, drainage was abysmal.



- In March, 2007, the Council bonded for park improvements. In July, 2007, the City Council approved a contract with Elder for \$803,169 to build the performance pavilion, the ball field and the walkways and RDG for \$42,000 for design services related to these improvements.



To the left is the rendering of the lighted Colby Park sign and to the right is the constructed improvement.



Rendering of the performance pavilion.....



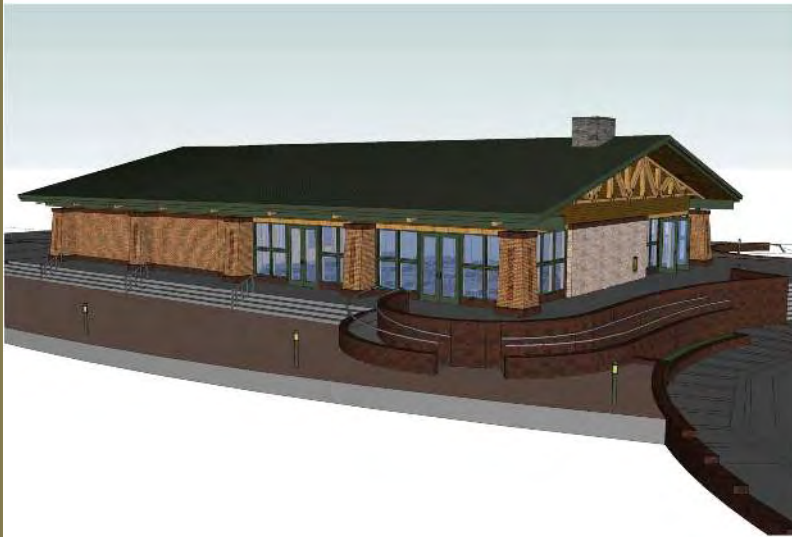
The Constructed Performance Pavilion



What's next?

- In May, 2008, the Council bonded for the Community Center project and approved a contract with Calhoun Burns and Associates for preliminary design for \$30,500.
- In October, 208, the Council approved a contract for final design for \$170,020.
- On December 22, 2008, the City Council selected a design for the Community Center. Architects and engineers are currently developing construction and bid documents for the facility.
- Bid documents should be ready in Spring, 2009 and, pending the outcome of the bids, demolition in Spring, 2009 and construction in full swing by Summer, 2009.
- Construction costs are projected to be \$1,897,494.
- To recap, the City spent \$561,008 on the Colby Park project in FY 07; \$761,008 in FY 08; and \$591,505 to date in the currently fiscal year, that ends June 30, 2009.

The Windsor Heights Community Center



The view from across
the circle.

The view from the north.



The Windsor Heights Community Center



The view from the
Interstate.

The view from the
playground.



Inside The Windsor Heights Community Center

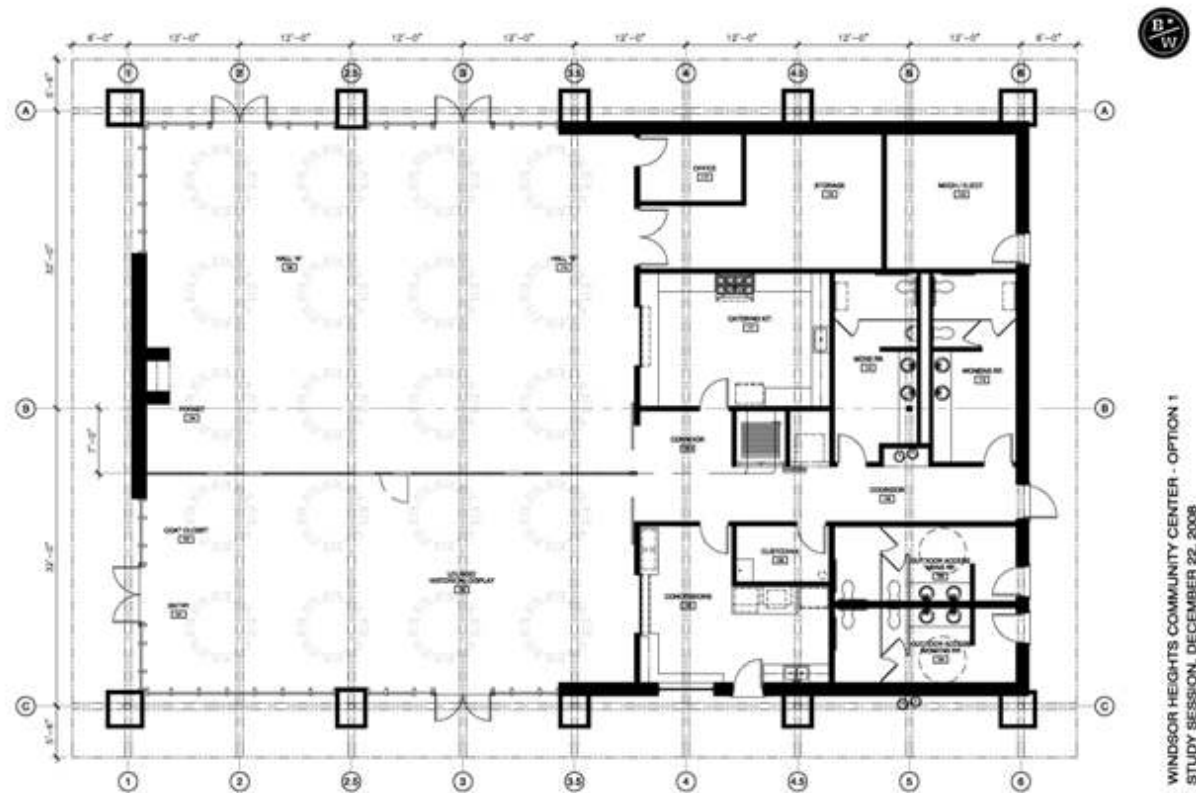


As you walk in the door.

Inside – note the continuation of the leaf design from the pavilion.



Inside The Windsor Heights Community Center



The floor plan. Will seat 150 in rounds or more in classroom.

The New Colby Park



Project Funding and support

Project funding comes from:

City of Windsor Heights

Polk County

Windsor Heights Foundation

Windsor Heights Lions Club

Windsor Heights Chamber of Commerce

Keep Windsor Heights Beautiful

Wal-mart

MidAmerican Energy

Prairie Meadows

Sam's Club

Thank you to the many partners in the planning and development of the new Colby Park!



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