

**CITY OF MASON
COUNCIL WORKSESSION
August 5, 2008**

Vice Mayor Beck called the meeting to order at 5:45 p.m.

ATTENDANCE

The following members of Council were present:

Don Prince, Pete Beck, Christine Shimrock, Todd Wurzbacher, and Tony Bradburn. Tom Grossmann joined the meeting at 6:30 p.m.

CITY LOGO

Jennifer Mayhall with Rocket Science Design addressed the members of Council and provided a brief history on the logo design up to the current status. She provided a view of several municipal logos from across the nation and locally in the tristate area. Council discussed generally the goal they were trying to reach with the new logo. The comment "Mason is a great place to live work and play" was made several times.

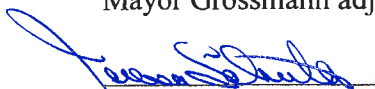
COMMUNITY CENTER UPDATE

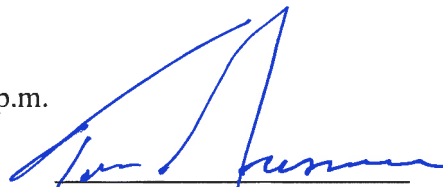
Eric Hansen provided an update on the design and current status of the TriHealth/Community Center addition. He noted any costs at this point have been derived from the concept plan. He noted the economic development benefits and the financial potential this could have for the City of Mason. He noted a large percentage of rehab patients at the other TriHealth facility in Montgomery become members of the facility.

Eric also noted the addition is 83,000 square feet with TriHealth occupying 31,000 square feet. He said two RFP's were sent to firms TriHealth had a level of comfort with and Richard Fair stated the City is interviewing them. He said GBBN has combined with MSA to provide the expertise that can cover the City's recreational interests and TriHealth's interest. It is expected the design portion will cost approximately \$1.6 million and the total project cost is approximately \$20 million. Eric said the lease agreement is being discussed for 20 years with three renewal clauses. He said the lease amount will be calculated based on the actual costs for TriHealth's portion of the construction. He noted the total cost of the project does not include site improvements. Eric stated the timeline for this project is very ambitious with a ground breaking in March 2009.

ADJOURN

Mayor Grossmann adjourned the meeting at 7:00 p.m.


Clerk of Council


Mayor