

# Town of Dover Economic Development Venue Meeting Summary

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*OPEN-ENDED RESPONSES FROM THE TWO PUBLIC FORUMS ON FEBRUARY 1, 2012 TO DISCUSS THE MEANINGS AND IDEAS REPRESENTING THE DEFINITION OF "VENUE":*

## **WHAT? WHO FOR? WHERE? WHEN? HOW?**

### **COMPARABLE RESPONSES FROM BOTH FORUMS ARE LISTED BELOW:**

#### **1) WHAT?:**

- ANY FACILITY MUST BE MULTI-PURPOSE, MULTI-SEASONAL AND MULTIGENERATIONAL
- COULD INCLUDE SUCH THINGS AS POOL, ICE RINK, EQUESTRIAN CENTER, CULTURAL/CONCERT CENTER, MEETING ROOMS/EDUCATION CENTER, REC CENTER, E.G. YMCA STYLE OR GIRLS' / BOYS' CLUBS
- SHOULD BE SOMETHING THAT THE TOWN DOES NOT ALREADY HAVE SO AS NOT TO COMPETE WITH EXISTING BUSINESSES
- SHOULD BE SOMETHING THAT COULD BE MULTI-PHASED AND DOVER ORIENTED

#### **2) WHO FOR? :**

- ALL PEOPLE: TOWNSPEOPLE, VISITORS, 2ND HOMEOWNERS, KIDS -
- SENIORS
- MIGHT BE A FACILITY THAT COULD BE RENTED OUT TO GROUPS (WOULD NEED SOMEONE TO RUN AND ORGANIZE IF SO)

#### **3) WHERE? :**

- DEPENDS ON THE "WHAT" BECAUSE OF ISSUES LIKE NOISE, PARKING, ETC.
- SHOULD BE LARGE ENOUGH AREA TO BE ABLE TO EXPAND; SPACE SHOULDN'T LIMIT USE OR IDEAS
- SPACE SHOULD BE LARGE ENOUGH TO BE USED BY LARGE GROUPS TO GENERATE PROFIT
- ALONG ROUTE 100/VALLEY TRAIL FOR MOST VISIBILITY AND ACCESSIBILITY
- AT LOCATIONS ALREADY OWNED BY THE TOWN, E.G. DOVER TOWN COMMON

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## **4) WHEN? (TO BUILD? TO START? TO FIND A LOCATION?):**

- MULTI- PHASE PLAN

## **5) HOW? (TO FINANCE? TO MAINTAIN?) :**

- NEEDS A “DRIVER” OR BUSINESS PARTNER TO OPERATE AND FINANCE
- DEVELOP A NON-PROFIT ENTITY, E.G. 501C3 CORPORATION