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## NEWS RELEASE

### **New Rec Center for Northglenn Approved**

#### **Facility Just West of City Hall Will Also House Theatre, Senior Center**

**April 27, 2018** – The City of Northglenn is moving forward with a new recreation center, theatre and senior center.

On April 9, City Council accepted the final report and recommendations for the new facility, and approved a contract with a program management firm to move ahead with the approved plan.

The concept plan for the new facility has been developed over the past year. A community advisory committee, composed of individuals with diverse interests and backgrounds, worked with staff, City Council and consultants to conduct a robust public engagement process. Input from the community was used to develop the plan.

The new facility is anticipated to cost about \$53 million. The debt service will be paid from the 2 percent marijuana tax, 1/2 percent sales tax and an annual \$1.7 million general fund transfer. The city will issue debt via Certificates of Participation (COPs); taxes will not be raised to build the new facility.

The new recreation center, senior center and theatre will replace the existing 44-year-old facility. Current designs call for the new structure to sit directly west of the current City Hall, just off of Interstate 25. The current building will remain in operation until the new facility is up and running.

The concept plan includes what features the new facility will have, and a general layout for the facility. The next step is a detailed design process that is expected to start in the fall. Residents and rec center patrons will have a number of opportunities online and in person to provide feedback and opinions on the project.

Construction on the new facility is on track to start in late 2019, with an anticipated opening in 2021.

This project is part of the overall Civic Center Master Plan, which aims to create a vibrant, active community gathering place through redevelopment of the current campus, located off of 120th Avenue and Interstate 25.

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