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COMMUNITY FORUMS TO DISCUSS NEW SENIOR CENTER IN WEST ASHLEY

Charleston, S.C. – The City of Charleston and Liollo Architecture are holding two community forums about the new senior center in West Ashley. There will be a brief presentation about the project followed by time for participants to provide feedback on various topics. These events are open to the public.

- Tuesday, May 19, 1-3:30 p.m., Bees Landing Recreation Center, 1580 Ashley Garden Blvd, which is located in the Grand Oaks subdivision on Bees Ferry Road.
- Wednesday, May 20, 6:30-8 p.m., St. Francis Hospital, Mall Classrooms, 2095 Henry Tecklenburg Blvd.

A senior center is a community center for adults age 50+ that promotes wellness through a diverse range of classes and programs, exercise options for all levels of fitness and health, volunteer opportunities, travel, social events, and other services.

The Senior Center will be built on the campus of Roper/St. Francis Hospital off of Glenn McConnell Highway and will be approximately 15,000 sf. The City of Charleston will build and own the building, while Roper St. Francis will staff and operate it.

The building is planned to include areas for fitness and aerobics, arts and crafts, cards and games. There will also be dividable multi-purpose rooms, a small kitchen, and an outside walking path. Liollo Architects will design the building. They have extensive experience in designing senior and community centers.

Construction is anticipated to begin in the spring of 2016.

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