



35 requests; and project completion timeframes, which would be approximately 12 months for B&G  
36 and 7 to 8 weeks for DYH. Both elected bodies spoke at length regarding the need to treat  
37 everyone equitably and provide equal opportunities for all organizations; responsibilities of  
38 each entity to the citizens of the City and/or County; the fact that such requests would not  
39 be forthcoming if sales tax dollars were not currently so high; that many other organizations  
40 are in need of funds for capital projects as well; and how to reconcile other similar  
41 requests. There are many City and County capital projects that have been put on hold due to  
42 prior lack of funding. All elected officials are in favor of public and private partnerships  
43 and all stated their appreciation of the work that both the Boys & Girls Club and Douglas  
44 Youth Hockey do. The question is not the value of B&G or DYH; it is more a question of the  
45 role of government; the request brought forward is 1/3 private and 2/3 government/public  
46 funds. Other public/private projects were discussed, such as the Youth Development Services  
47 paid for by a CDBG grant through the City, and upon completion, the building was deeded to the  
48 County. Both DYH and B&G provided information regarding their operational costs with new  
49 facilities; DYH expects theirs to decrease while B&G expects theirs to increase. There was  
50 commentary regarding potential mechanisms in which 5<sup>th</sup> penny funds can be used for capital  
51 projects; such mechanisms are in place in other communities already. Benefits to the community  
52 offered by both organizations were talked about, including safe and educational options for  
53 children and economic impacts due to tournaments and events. Phased allotments were considered  
54 as well as the impacts of this type of distribution. Following final questions and comments,  
55 the Joint Work Session was adjourned at 5:16 p.m. **No Council action was taken.**

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Karen Rimmer, City Clerk