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Subject: Water Conservation House project

Alders Ahrens, Cheeks and King:

Internal staff discussion here at MWU has led to some ideas that involve a possible change to the location of Water Conservation House (WCH) project. This project is intended to educate the public and local residential construction industry on leading edge techniques in water and energy efficiency, while at the same time yielding additional income for MWU through the sale of surplus property. Background information is available [here](#).

We have asked the architect to look at two other sites in addition to 4724 Spaanem Ave. and evaluate the financial impacts:

- 4251 Mohawk Dr. (Aldermanic District No. 10)
- 7033 East Pass (Aldermanic District No. 7)

4251 Mohawk Dr. is the site of former Unit Well No. 10 -- abandoned several years ago -- and 7033 East Pass is a site obtained through the development process in 1996 for a potential future well. Neither site is needed for future water supply due to other infrastructure improvements over the years and permanent reductions in per capita water demand.

It seems likely that either site will provide a significantly higher profit for the Water Utility than Spaanem Ave., especially the Mohawk Dr. site. Due to topography, the completed WCH design is more easily adapted to the Mohawk Dr. site than the East Pass site. As a side note, the East Pass site has been mentioned as a possible affordable housing site by City Real Estate.

Your thoughts on these ideas are welcome.

Sincerely,
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