

Senior Center Use of Space Recommendation Details Part 1

The Senior Commission provides additional data to the City Council as it considers the Senior Center recommendations proposed at the September 2015 Commission meeting. It is this Commission’s opinion that the A.B. concept vision is disproportionately skewed to shared space. Although the shared space concept may work for other services provided at the Los Altos Community Center, the best practice of successful Senior Centers on the peninsula identifies DEDICATED Senior Centers as a priority.

The Los Altos Senior Commission supports dedicated Senior Areas in the 10,000 sq. ft. recommendation. Note that shared uses and dedicated uses are included below as a starting point for discussions.

<u>SHARED sq. ft.</u>		<u>DEDICATED sq.ft.</u>	
Kitchen Indoor	3,000	Lounge	3,000
Covered outdoor Activity Area	2,000	Dining	2,500
Storage	1,000	Fitness	1,500

Bocce Ball Courts
2 X outdoor 13'X91' 3,000

Class Rooms 2,000
2X1,000

Pickle ball Court 880
Outdoor 20' X 44'

Craft Room 1,000

Note: shared sq. ft. is adjacent
To dedicated sq. ft. for ease
of access

Note: dedicated
hours 8AM to 8PM
Mon. – Fri.
1.Sat & Sun shared
with Senior
priority.

Recognizing the success of dedicated space for seniors not only guarantees future services and community for our aging population, but aides independence and supports aging in place. Other topics of concern that need to be discussed for possible consideration is the walkability index to the Downtown; the inclusion of a health clinic and Senior Housing.

The Senior Commission respectfully submits this Use of Space Recommendation Details Part #1 on this 5th of October 2015.