

TO: Mayor Roy D. Buol and Members of the Dubuque City Council
FROM: Members of the Five Flags Civic Center Commission
SUBJECT: Recommendation Regarding Delay of Five Flags Civic Center
Referendum Vote
DATE: April 1, 2020

This letter is to outline the action taken at the last Five Flags Civic Center Commission (FFCCC) meeting on April 1, 2020 regarding a recommendation relative to the delay of the Five Flags Civic Center referendum vote currently set by the City Council for September 8, 2020.

In a unanimous decision, the FFCCC voted to recommend that the special election does not take place on September 8, 2020. The commission also decided to make a recommendation for a new election date in 2021 to be determined at a later commission meeting. The main driver for these decisions is the greatly reduced opportunity for citizens to organize and educate themselves regarding the expansion project.

The commission expects to recommend a new election date in 2021, but we are not willing to make an exact decision at this time. There are too many unknown potential long-term impacts that could result from the COVID-19 pandemic. This item will be revisited at each of our next regularly scheduled commission meetings until resolved.

In summary, the FFCCC is recommending that the city council postpone the special election scheduled for September 8, 2020 and consider a to-be-determined recommendation for a new date in 2021.

The FFCCC remains at your disposal for any questions and feedback regarding this issue.

With Best Regards,
The Five Flags Civic Center Commission
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