

Jubilee Plaza & Weather Catcher

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Background

Jubilee Plaza (Budget of \$16.9 Million)

- Approved by Mayor and Council in 2012
- Jubilee Plaza is a public square in a central location
- Community hub for year-round civic celebrations, performances, community events and programming

Weather Catcher (Budget of \$2.2 Million included in above)

- Completed in 2015
- Focal point of Jubilee Plaza
- Three dimensional stainless steel grid, 65 feet tall and 25 feet wide, with water and lighting features designed to complement the different seasons.

Jubilee Plaza Concept



Timeline Jubilee Plaza

- May 15, 2012 (Administrative Briefing Mayor and Council)
 - *City Centre Action Program Power Point (Catalyst Projects)*
- Jul 10, 2012 Capital Project Approval (Public Council Meeting)
 - *Jubilee Plaza Site Preparation and Construction \$16.9 Million Budget*
- Dec 17, 2012 RFP QU2897 Posted on APC
 - *Contract awarded to Public Work Architects for design*
- May 7, 2013 (Administrative Briefing Mayor and Council)
 - *City Centre Redevelopment Updates detailing Jubilee Plaza*
- Jul 2, 2013 (Administrative Briefing Mayor and Council)
 - *Community Engagement Key Findings – 1 slide Jubilee Plaza*
 - *City Centre Updates – 9 detailed slides Jubilee Plaza including Water Feature (Weather Catcher)*

Timeline Jubilee Plaza (Cont'd)

- Oct 9, 2013 Ground Breaking for Jubilee Plaza
- Nov 5, 2013 Admin Briefing (Public Council Meeting)
 - *1 slide including description of Jubilee Plaza, Budget, timeline, status*
- Nov 26, 2013 Capital Budget (Public Council Meeting)
 - *Included Jubilee Plaza*
- Jan 13, 2014 Budget Clarification Questions
 - *Responses to Mayor and Council during the budget (Included Jubilee Plaza as well as budget and costs to date)*
- Jun 17, 2014 Briefing Note to Mayor and Council
 - *Comprehensive BN Jubilee Plaza including Weather Catcher*

Timeline Jubilee Plaza (Cont'd)

- Nov 22, 2014 Jubilee Plaza soft opening
 - *Mobile podium and weather catcher not yet installed*
- Mar 17, 2015 Admin Briefing (Public Council Meeting)
 - Update on Jubilee Plaza
- Apr 8, 2015 Delivery of the Weather Catcher
- May 5, 2015 Admin Briefing (Public Council Meeting)
 - Update on Jubilee Plaza
- Dec 2, 2016 – Audio Visual Components Capital Request
 - *Council defeats capital request for screen and projection (\$424K)*

Weather Catcher Operations

Annual Cost

- \$23,000 per year to operate and maintain
 - Includes water purification system, electrical, programming, service work.

Challenges

- Operational complexity and timing
- Public Safety

Removal and Disposal

Estimated Cost for Removal & Disposal

- \$20,000

Site Options

- Replace with flowers or shrubs or fill in area and match with pavers

Thank you

Questions?