



# CORDOVA CENTER

## First Quarter Report 2014

The Cordova Center project is a multi-use facility designed to meet LEED specifications and answer a number of needs for the community of Cordova. It will house the Cordova Public Library, the

Cordova Historical Museum as well as the administrative offices for the municipality. In addition there will be spaces for a 200 seat auditorium, conference and meeting room spaces and educational rooms for use by community and other groups.

The total project cost is approximately \$25.5 million, \$18.5 of which has been secured. The funding plan is broad based with many sources including Federal, State and Municipal dollars as well as Foundations and Corporate contributors, local fund raising and grants.

The project has been broken down into two phases. Phase I completed the exterior shell of the facility and at this time date is 99%. Phase II is set to begin as funds allow and will include the finish trades to complete the facility. There is an anticipated opening of late 2015 or early 2016.

### **Phase I:**

Is complete at this time. Corrections for the lingering issues with the windows have been built into Phase II and the second contractor.

### **Phase II:**

Preparations for Phase II are nearly complete. Dawson Construction has completed budget estimates for a four phase – twelve month construction project. Review of documents for constructability and completeness are complete. Final signed sets are being reviewed by the Fire Marshall.

**Funding:** The City of Cordova has submitted its number one priority on its Capital Projects list to the State Legislature and it is the Cordova Center. A request for \$6.5 million has been carried forward by our representatives. We are awaiting word on its inclusion in the Capital budget.

A Capital Campaign is poised to move forward once the results of the legislative action is clear. A corporate campaign will be kicking off in early June.

**Administration:** Committee actions have been taken to hire a firm for Capital Campaign Consultants. They will begin working with the local Committee May 1<sup>st</sup>. Local community members testified before the Legislative Finance Hearings. A Public Works Director with experience in Construction and Project Management with an engineering degree has been hired by the City of Cordova.

### **Complete Cordova Center Business Plan**

- Establish Use Policy and Rental Fees – **In process**
- Establish Marketing Plan - **Completed**
- Finalize MOU's with user groups – **To be completed 4th qtr 2014**
- Finalize Organizational Chart and Position Descriptions – **Completed**
- **Oversight of Timeline and Schedules**
  - Phase II Construction Schedule - **Completed**
  - Phase II Funding Timeline – **In process**
  - Marketing and Promotional Schedule – **3rd qtr 2014**
  - Grand Opening Celebration Plan
- **Funding**
  - Complete Funding Plan for Phase II – **Underway 1st qtr 2014**
  - Oversight of Corporate Funding portion – **Begins 2nd qtr 2014**
  - Oversight of Local Fundraising portion- **Begins 2nd qtr 2014**
  - Oversight of In-Kind Donations - **Ongoing**
  - Oversight of Donor Database - **Ongoing**



Cordova Center Evening Drama by David Little