## AMBROSE RECREATION & PARK DISTRICT

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**BOARD MEETING DATE: January 9, 2025** 

ITEM TITLE: Reconsider Options to utilize ARPD warehouse to Historical Building.

## **RECOMMENDATION:**

That the Board of Directors discuss possibly converting a portion of the Ambrose Community Park Warehouse to become a Community Historic Center and provide staff with direction.

- 1. Establish a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with a non-profit organization to operate the Historic Center within the mission of the District. Liability would substantially shift from the District to the non-profit, however the District would retain jurisdiction on the types of activities/programs occurring at the Historic Center. The non-profit would maintain the site, interior building, by generally accepted community standards of aesthetics and upkeep. The non-profit would operate the Historic Center following a set of rules, and volunteers must sign an agreement and waiver of liability.
- 2. Lease a portion of the Ambrose Community Park Warehouse to an outside agency. This would allow the agency to develop programs outside of the District's mission and would shift liability to the lessee. The District would have no responsibilities for the planning, setup, management, and carrying out operations and maintenance on the parcel. The District would have no obligation to make any alterations, improvements, or repairs of any kind, or to provide any services or other support.
- 3. Recommend an alternative to the above choices.

## FISCAL IMPLICATIONS:

Currently assessing the funded amount from Supervisor Glover's Grant for Historic Center. The cost could increase or decrease depending on the option the Board selects.

## **BACKGROUND:**

The Bay Point Historical Society was founded 2009.

The mission statement of the Bay Point Historical Society is to discover, preserve, and display objects and materials of significant historical interest, importance and value in relation to the communities of Bay Point, Clyde, Nichols, Port Chicago and West Pittsburg; to identify and preserve Bay Point's historical structures and disseminate knowledge of Bay Point's history; by creating and making available historical records.

The Historical Society had been trying to coordinate a plan to use the old Fire Station as a place to display community history but will continue to stay within the Fire district.

The Historical Society's current mission is to have a space the public could visit to learn more about the history of the community and the Historical Society has requested space at the Ambrose Community Center to support and help fulfill their mission.

Respectfully submitted, Lori Chalifoux, General Manager