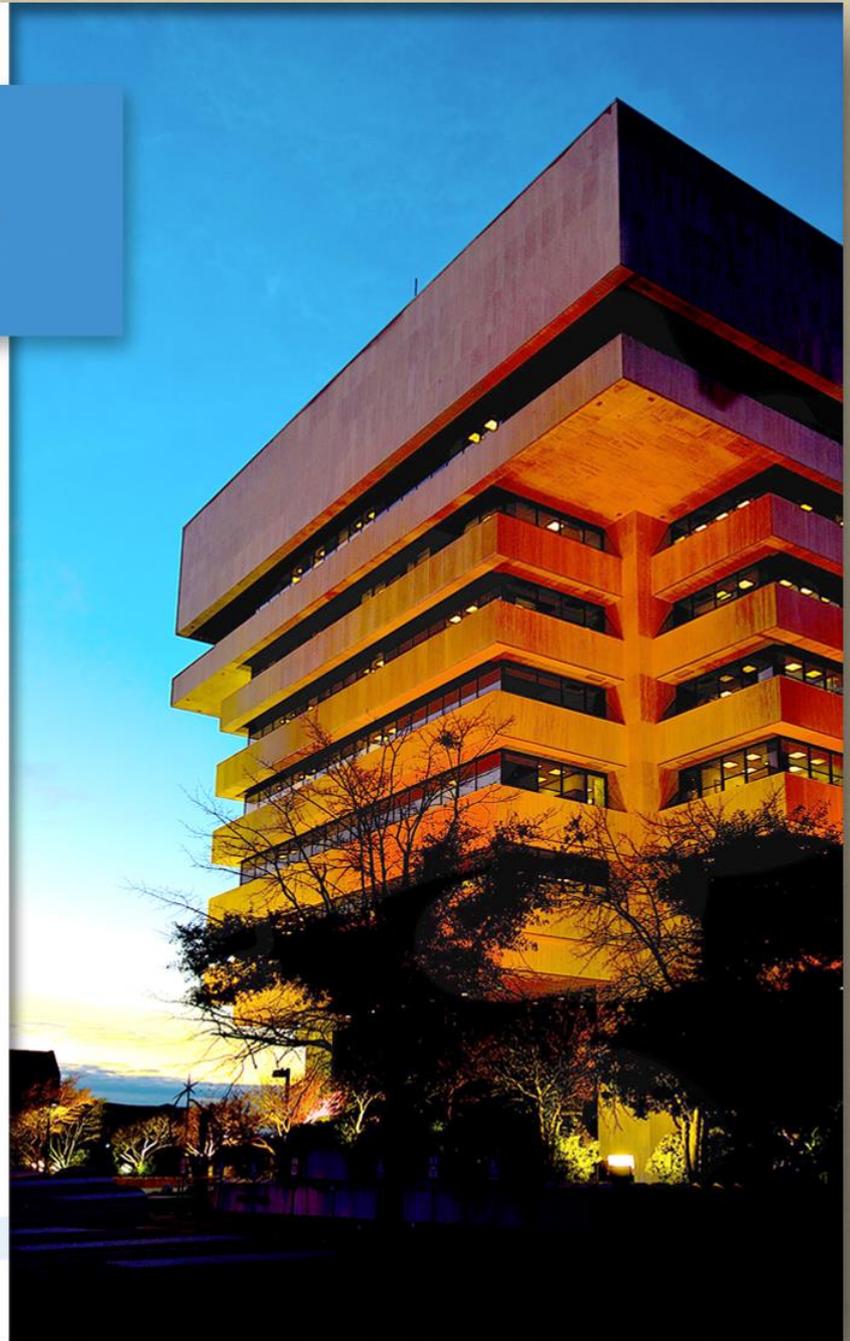


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Council Chambers Renovations

November 9, 2016



Overview

- Background
 - Items to address
 - Project scope
 - Questions
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Background

- Council chambers has not been renovated since City Hall opened in 1976
- Chambers is heavily used:
 - City Council Meetings
 - Planning Commission Meetings
 - Virginia Workers Compensation Commission Hearings (4-5 days per month)
 - Wetlands Board Hearings and other hearings
 - Republican Party Committee Meetings
 - Mill Point Homeowners Association
 - Ceremonies such as Day of Prayer
 - Virginia Peninsula Alcohol Safety and Prevention functions (VASAP)
 - Various city department training, promotion ceremonies (Police, Fire & Sheriff), employee recruitments, political forms, etc.

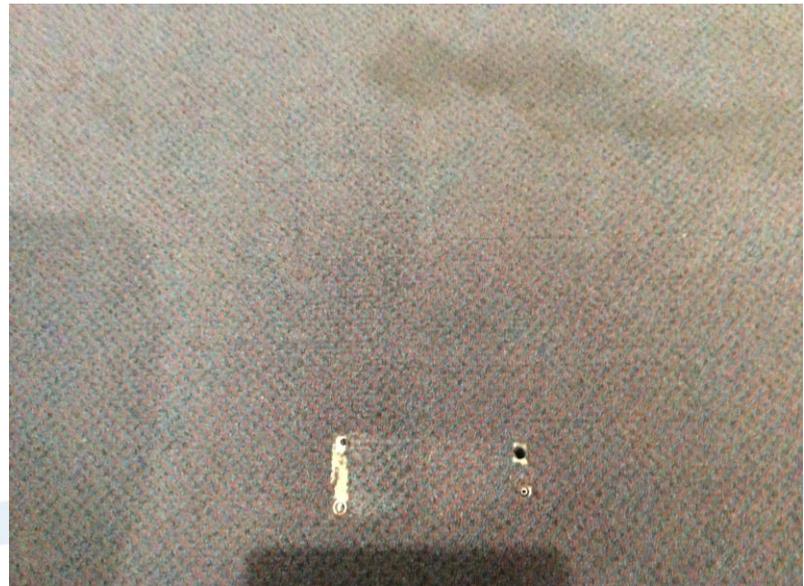
Items to Address

- After 40 years of heavy use, wear and tear on some of the basic infrastructure needs to be addressed



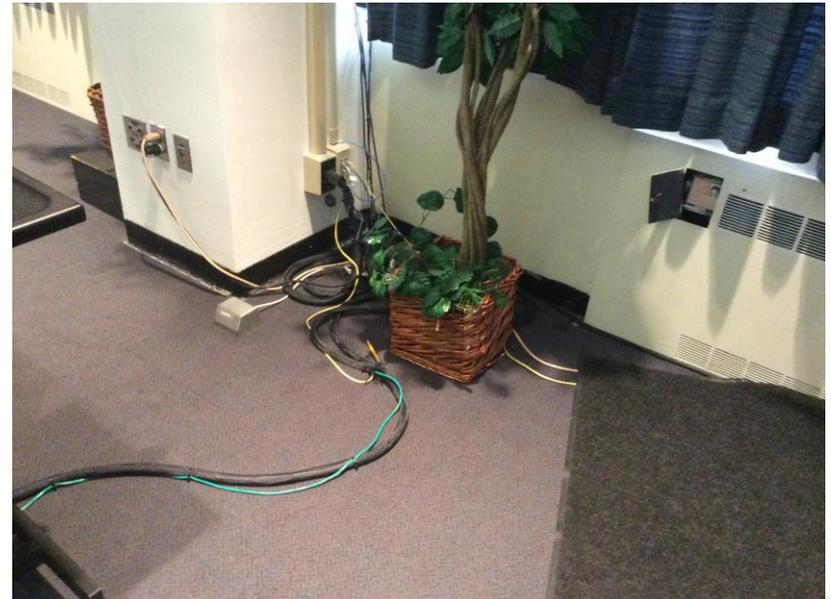
Citizen Seating

- Citizen seating is starting to fail



Audio/Video & Electrical Cords

- Several places where cords are exposed, taped down to the carpet or covered with throw rugs



Audio/Video & Electrical Cords



Carpet

- Worn and stained carpet



Obsolescence

- Obsolete outlets on the “half walls”



Maintenance

- Lighting is inefficient to maintain & has yellowed over time



Information Technology Issues

- Presentation display
 - Citizens can not see many of the presentation slides
 - Looking at alternatives to address this issue as well

Project Scope

- Basic infrastructure (\$325,000 -- funded with accumulated departmental savings):
 - Replace citizen seating
 - Replace carpet
 - Replace “half walls”
 - Install false floor between the “half walls” and Council dais to secure the cords
 - Install station for Clerk and her staff
 - Replace the lattice work lighting
 - Safety upgrades
- IT (funded with IT funds):
 - Install larger screen and/or additional monitors closer to citizen seating

Conclusion

- Very utilitarian plan that addresses the basic room functionality and safety issues
- No significant changes are planned to the dais, paneled walls or windows
- Taking care of the basics should substantially improve the professional look of Chambers
- More extensive renovations would cost two to three times the plan outlined above, so staff recommends moving forward with addressing these basic needs

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Questions

