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See Ms. Williams' comments/suggestions regarding the proposed aquatics center.

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To Great Falls City Commission  
Re: Aquatics Center relocation

YAY!

I feel a lot more confident in the land site selection of either Kiwanis or Lions Park for the aquatics center. Two general observations about these sites.

1. **Bus Route:** Lions Park is nearest the #1 bus route. This is the most crowded and stressed route in the system. If this site is chosen, ample care should be taken to help the transit district reassess its service. If they need to split the #1 route or add more buses, that will put some deep strain on the system. If they can just put a little jog in the #4 (or the #3), then it might be very simple.

2. **Electricity:** A penny saved is a penny earned as far as generating revenue. I realize the city really got burned by an electricity generation proposal in the past, however a few humble and much less grand electricity generation ideas could help offset utility usage at the new building. I'm talking really small-scale, simple and proven technology—solar panels on the roof and workout machines that generate rather than consume electricity. Energy can only get more expensive in the future, and this building will stand for 75 or 100 years so let's invest wisely.

Fitness equipment to generate electricity while exercising  
<http://www.fitnesshealthzone.com/fitness-exercise-equipment/fitness-equipment-to-generate-electricity-while-exercising/>

Just one example, a Helena-based company that has installed **solar panels** for citizens in Great Falls:

<https://solarmontana.com/>

Thank you!

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P.S. November's average CO2 was 412 ppm and rising. Still increasing, but slowing just a tiny bit from Covid-19. A lot more work and we could flatten the curve.