

Historical Timeline

2004: Mission Control designs and “perfects” the visioning process

2005: January-February call to congregation members to engage in the visioning process.

March – April the visioning groups meet

May – June Writing and presentation of Visioning report

June – report includes recommendation to assess the facilities of FUMC by establishing a facilities Committee that is responsible to report to Church Council in December 2005

June – November – Facilities Committee meets and proceeds through work

December – Facilities Committee concludes and reports to Church Council that to fulfill its mission FUMC should build a new facility on a new site.

Church Council asks Mission Control to devise a plan to educate the congregation concerning the recommendation of the Facilities Committee.

2006: February – Mission Control proposes a multifaceted education plan to the Church Council. The plan will culminate in an October vote to go forward in building or not.

July – Lead Pastor asks for “Listening meetings” to be held in September and October for persons to voice all concerns.

September-October Five meetings facilitated by neutral outsider (Joe Briley of Christ Community Church) are held to voice people’s feelings and concerns regarding moving forward on the Facility Committee’s recommendation.

October 16th the Church Council voted 28 yea, 4 nea with 1 abstention on the following motion: “*An exploration Committee is to be appointed to research the potential opportunities, costs and viability of building a new church facility on a new site.*” The Council requests a Church Conference to ratify the same. This meeting is granted by the District Superintendent and Annual Conference.

November 5th With simple majority needed (121 votes) The Church Conference votes 180 aye, 58 nea, 3 abstentions to approve the Exploration Committee.

December 12th Church Council votes to assign the Nominating Committee to appoint the Exploration Committee with due election at Church Council.

2007: February Church Council meeting elects nominated Exploration Committee

Annette Zink Sue Wagoner Paul Wagner Noah Vogel (youth) Jay Quimby Paul Pate Jr.

Doug Martin (facilitator)Toby Lawrence Dennis Knudtson Dana Goshon Doug Byal

March 29, 2007 Exploration Committee has its first meeting to execute this task “***An exploration Committee is to be appointed to research the potential opportunities, costs and viability of building a new church facility on a new site.***” and report to the Church Council.

April, June, August - Exploration Committee reports progress to Church Council

October 15, 2007 Exploration Committee makes completed report with recommendations to Church Council. Recommendation includes the following motion:

A Building Committee structured, nominated, elected and directed to work by a Church or Charge Conference (in accordance with the provisions of The Book of Discipline of the United Methodist Church 2004) is to be appointed to research funding opportunities, hire a Design Build firm, purchase land and build a new church that will support the future growth and projects of FUMC. This motion was approved unanimously by the Church Council.

Church Council at the same meeting also unanimously requests an all church Conference to address this motion.

November 2007 Date set for Charge Conference is February 28, 2008. Announcement of Conference and availability of Exploration Committee report is broadly circulated.