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any change.”

Part of the agreement includes the eventual reconstruction of Ferdig Ave. and West City Limits Road. In the latest draft of the agreement, rather than a full commitment to reconstruction, the agreement reads that “the parties shall work to develop a plan for reconstruction of WCLR by Dec. 2017.”

Nelson said nothing in the agreement is set in stone.

“Any agreement can be amended,” she said. “The agreement doesn’t commit either party to anything on West City Limits Road except ... that we’re going to sit down and develop a plan. It doesn’t

commit funding. ... If it were to be signed, we can come back and visit it.”

With the city eyeing more westward expansion, Nelson added there’s always the chance the city could take responsibility for the whole road outright by the deadline.

“That’s something the City Commission would have to discuss,” she said. “In the past, the way things have happened, is the city and county have come together on construction of a road and then, once it’s updated, one entity takes it over entirely. That’s what we’re looking for in



Woods



Nelson

a different arrangement where we would continue to keep it a shared road and change the way we finance that between the two entities.”

Nelson said city officials understand the road funding issues the county faces.

“We’re sensitive of the issues the county is going through because we maintain and roads, so we know how expensive (it is) and how much maintenance cost goes

into roadways and road construction,” she said. “We want to be good partners and good neighbors with the county and make sure we’re moving ahead at a pace that is going to meet our goals as a community, but also is going to be financially feasible for the city and county residents.”

Woods said while the agreement is currently on pause, he understands the need to work with the city and feels the agreement will progress in the future.

“We have to work together with the city,” he said. “We’re all one community in one county. We’ve got to find ways to get things moving forward, and I think we’re going to continue to do that.”

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Omaha Planners, Businesses Struggle Over Need For Parking

OMAHA, Neb. (AP) — Booming development in downtown Omaha has the potential to bring five new parking garages to the area.

Downtown organizations and businesses say their employees and customers expect them to provide ample parking nearby. But Mayor Jean Stothert and city planners say garages that might appear necessary now will seem redundant in the future.

So city leaders must decide whether to offer

people abundant downtown parking or save that land for development.

City planning consultant Steve Jensen told the *Omaha World-Herald* that Omaha’s solution will help establish the downtown of Omaha’s future. Jensen says most people want a downtown to be active, interesting, exciting and fun, with lots of places to go. He says taking up too much space for parking garages risks choking off other development.

Archery

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Salonen.

“At one of our yearly tournaments in Las Vegas, we usually had 200-300 kids,” she said. “Last year, we had 650.”

Josahan Jaime-SantaCruz, archery program director for the Easton Yankton Archery Complex, attributes the current popularity of fictional post-apocalyptic worlds to be the reason for the recent rise in archery participation.

“There’s a general trend in media lately to move towards what used to be more traditional forms of combat,” she said. “Archery is very basic. You don’t need gunpowder or machinery. You just pick up a bow and

shoot.”

In her 20-plus years of archery involvement, Jaime-SantaCruz has seen the most interest in the sport just in the last eight to 10 years.

“When I was growing up, the only reference we had in shooting bows was Robin Hood,” she said. “Now we have all these other characters.”

In addition to those listed above, fictional media archers include Lara Croft from the newest “Tomb Raider” and “Assassin’s Creed” video games.

“At one of our Halloween shoots, one of the kids was dressed as a character from ‘Assassin’s Creed,’” Jaime-SantaCruz added.

The media exposure that these games and movies created has prompted more action from archery organizations, she said.

“I’ve seen a lot better organization from archery organizations to promote it and feed off that growth,” she said.

It isn’t only pop culture that has prompted renewed archery interest.

“The London Olympic games definitely contributed,” said Jaime-SantaCruz. “They moved archery into one of the first sports showcased, which meant it didn’t have to compete for people’s attention versus swimming and gymnastics. It got a little more spotlight.”

There are several different types of archery, including 3D shooting, field shooting, bow hunting and traditional shooting. Jaime-SantaCruz has seen increased participation specifically in competitive recurve and competitive compound shooting. Recurve shooting

has the type of bows seen in the Olympics and compound shooting is a similar style to bow-hunting.

“In media, there’s a lot more prevalence in archery as a cool new thing to do,” she added.

The Yankton archery complex helps furnish this interest by having classes for kids, teenagers and adults, as well as holding some archery-themed birthday parties where young guests can learn the basics of archery, such as how to shoot and the different types of shooting and competitions.

“We can get some of them hooked because of how well they do and how competitive they are,” said Salonen.

For older kids, scholarships are offered through the NFPA to reward them for staying in archery. In addition, a website called

Archery 360 is exclusively geared towards capturing teens who are interested in the pop culture aspect of the sport.

“Our marketing is getting savvy,” Jaime-SantaCruz stated, referring to the NFPA. “They’ve contributed a lot of resources to promoting the sport and have certainly made a dent in the interest.”

The World Archery Youth Championship that took place in Yankton this summer drew people’s attention to the realization that an archery center was close by.

“A lot of people weren’t aware this place existed before the tournament,” Jaime-SantaCruz said. “That’s definitely changed since then, but I don’t think people realize how large and diverse this place is.”

Despite the increased interest in the sport aspect of

archery, it will always remain popular for hunting.

“There’s a lot of young men that pick up the sport but don’t come to places like the complex to really learn it,” Jaime-SantaCruz said. “Most of our classes are predominantly girls.”

However, archery is still an activity for anyone interested in practicing an individualized sport and improving their hand-eye coordination and ability to focus.

“If anyone’s interested in learning about archery, they can come to the Yankton Archery Center at any time of the year,” said Jaime-SantaCruz. “There’s always an opportunity to learn.”

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Drug

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and judge.

“She (Bern) has to have the patience only surpassed by Job,” Cody said. “The people in the program are rebellious and want to do things their way. However, they found themselves in a situation where they couldn’t make decisions for themselves.”

Cody hopes to continue informing people that addiction is a disease of the mind.

“These addicts are exactly like me on the inside,” she said. “They’re driving to do something they don’t want to do. They have to fight, work and change their way of thinking and come to a new understanding.”

Drug Courts began in South Dakota after a judge from the Northern Hills district started it in his county. After the program proved effective, the state judicial system started sanctioning courts and determining, based on the number of substance abuse arrests, where to implement such programs. Yankton County was one of the chosen places.

Yankton’s Drug Court program began in 2013. Since then, there have been a total of eight graduates, according to Drug Court judge Tami Bern.

“We had to prepare for 18 months before starting the program with a lot of training and groundwork,” said Bern.

Each Drug Court team is compiled of a judge, defense attorney, court services officer, support specialist, a member of law enforcement and one or two treatment specialists.

“Our mission statement is to reduce crime and societal issues that occur as a result of substance dependence through targeted treatment, supervision and judicial intervention,” Bern explained.

She added that completing the program is far from easy, and the Drug Court graduates will be the first to say so.

In addition to the aforementioned requirements, graduates had to comply with curfew checks, perform countless hours of community service and attend mandatory court sessions.

According to Bern, the drug court programs save the state over \$600,000 a year. More important than that, however, is the work that goes into helping addicts overcome their addictions.

“In addition to our mission statement, we have a saying that Drug Court requires three things: that you show up, are honest and try,” Bern said. “These people are role models for having done that.”

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