Dear St. Anna Greek Orthodox Church Parishioners,

I am communicating with you today on behalf of your Parish Council, the St. Anna Capital Campaign, the Real Estate Ministry Team, and the Long Range Planning Ministry Team. The events of the past year have brought us to a new phase in the life of our Parish, and the developments and success of the past year's efforts have made us aware of the the need to bring all up to date and reflect on not only where we have been, but most importantly, where we are going as a Parish.

Firstly, here are the minutes from our recent LRP meeting.

Long Range Planning Ministry Team Report

Meeting of February 12, 2018

Attendees and absent members who read this report: Fr Anthony Savas, Charles Beck, Jim Priskos, Mary Simos, Bruce Shand, Nick Varanakis, Perry Drossos, Bill Souvall, Chuck Karpakis, Ann Sasich, RaJean Higginson, Elaine Zambos, Craig Stagg, Steve Simos, Carolyn Leitko, Mike Petrogeorge, Julie Steele, Nick Daskalas, Joe Sasich, Myra Shenk, Mike Daskalas

The Long Range Planning Ministry Team met in February for the first time in almost 2 years for a fruitful and productive meeting to review the existing Long Range Plan and consider modifications and updates. The meeting allowed for input by the outgoing and new SACC chairpersons as well as the Parish Council, Real Estate MT, and original LRP Ministry Team members.

Thanks to all who participated in our meeting. I felt very good about how the meeting went, how we interacted, how we all seemed to arrive at the same conclusions via slightly different paths, and how cohesive the group was. I am grateful for the varied opinions presented which served to stimulate the discussion, provide direction, and ultimately lead to the unity we reached at the meeting's conclusion.

After an opening prayer by Father Anthony, we reviewed the existing Long Range Plan as adopted by the 2016 Spring Parish Assembly. We expressed out appreciation for the extraordinary success of the St. Anna Capital Campaign, led by Bill Souvall and RaJean Higginson, who were present at the meeting. Their efforts have helped provide a sound funding foundation for the Long Range Plan, and also helped define its current financial status.

We reviewed the current vacant property situation in the Assembly-defined area of Cottonwood Heights, Sandy and northern Draper and noted that there is still no currently available parcel that would fill our needs in this area. We expressed appreciation to Chuck Karpakis and the Real Estate team for their recent extraordinary level of effort regarding the property search. We affirmed the view that we as a Parish and its Ministry Teams need to continue to monitor the south SLC urban area and adjacent valley for such vacant property but also to continue to watch for property with buildings that might provide a more immediately suitable use as a church. This will be done by all, but the Real Estate team is not expected to be actively pursuing or looking for property until such a property is identified and is

deemed suitable enough to spend effort on. We agreed that the Parish is not quite ready for a more western church site, but that we should still evaluate further any suitable property that is identified, even if it is not in the Assembly-defined area. We acknowledged that the demographics of our Parish are changing, with more parishioners living south and west, and that this will likely continue to evolve in that direction. This will likely alter where we feel comfortable locating our Church in the future, but not quite now. A new demographic plot was requested of Chuck K every 6 months, with distribution to the PC, Real Estate and LRP teams.

We acknowledged that the previously approved Long Range Plan allows for a flexible timetable, and that it was designed in such a way as to still be relevant and effective. Therefore, amendments were not suggested, and the need for a Parish-wide Long Range Planning meeting does not yet exist. We felt that it is more appropriate to await to schedule such a meeting (or incorporate it into a Fall 2018 or 2019 Spring Assembly) until the results of Nick Varanakis' SACC new leadership and its refocused fundraising goals and efforts, as to be defined and implemented over the next 6 months and next few years, become apparent. Until we have a more precise idea of what our fundraising potential and results are within the next 1-3 years, we are not able to clearly define our ability to perform as purchasers of a suitable property. However, we plan to review the findings of the LRP team and the Long Range plan at the next Parish Assembly. We also plan to send a letter soon to the parish to affirm that St. Anna GOC is still proceeding with fund raising and that the property search has not stopped. We don't want the Parish to lose its focus on our long term goals.

The meeting concluded with a prayer, great enthusiasm, and a spirit of unity.

As recorded by Charles Beck, Chairman of the LRPMT

In calling your attention to the minutes of this recent LRP meeting, we ask for your continued prayers for the success of all of our efforts. Above all, your Parish Council, the St. Anna Capital Campaign, and Long Range Planning and Real Estate Ministry Teams wish to convey our gratitude to our Parish for its ongoing enthusiasm and loving support for ongoing efforts to bring to fruition our Long Range Plan. We have made great strides in a short time, particularly taking into account our Parish's existence of only 3 and one half years, and only about a year of actual capital fundraising. We have done this without adversely affecting Stewardship, which is so vital to our Parish's existence and spiritual as well as financial health. This in and of itself is nothing short of amazing, and yet it is the kind of situation that we have become accustomed to at St. Anna's!

We, as the leaders who have been enabled and directed by you, St. Anna Parish, remain committed to the search for a suitable future Church site, and its funding, be it property for a future build, or an existing building suitable for conversion into a Church home. We ask that each of us in St. Anna Greek Orthodox Church re-commit to the ongoing fundraising and property search efforts as they enter a new phase. This is a phase shaped by our Parish's personality, modified by our learning experiences over the past year, and still focused on the long term. We will not complete this journey in a short period of time, but rather over the next several years and decades. This is a project dedicated to the spiritual health of

our children and their children, even more than to those of us who are present today. Please continue to support and join us in this continued effort.

Charles Beck MD

Parish Council President and Chairman of the Long Range Planning Ministry Team of St. Anna Greek Orthodox Church